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Mr Mathab Khan



9th May 2016

Dear Mr Khan,

Cardiff Hackney Carriage Association

As you know, when the Council is formulating licensing policy in relation to the hackney carriage trade it is desirable to consult with members of the Trade. It is not always practicable to consult with individual licence holders and sometimes members of the Trade find it easier to speak through representative bodies. Consequently the Council recognises properly constituted organisations, ensuring that such organisations are:

- Able to make applications for fare increases
- Consulted for views and comments on fare increase applications
- Able to make proposals to the authority on changes or amendments to licensing procedures and requirements
- Consulted on proposals on changes or amendments to licensing procedures and requirements
- Provided with details of draft Public Protection Committee reports for comment

Consultation through representative bodies can be extremely useful, but obviously, the Council needs to know that these bodies are truly representative of licence holders. We would also expect those bodies to act responsibly in carrying out such a role.

I am writing to you to enquire about the status of the Cardiff Hackney Carriage Association (CHCA). The Council has received a number of communications asserting that the CHCA does not represent the majority of hackney carriage drivers and that the Association is not constituted properly. You will recall that I asked you to provide a copy of the articles of association in 2015. You refused to do so, advising me that such documentation was confidential. I also have been shown a copy of your recent communication to drivers ahead of the hackney carriage drivers' strike which indicates that an AGM of the Association is overdue.

If these assertions are unfounded, and I do hope that to be the case, I would be grateful if you could send me some documentation showing the status of the CHCA. That would include at the very least the articles of association, the number of members, and evidence of your own appointment as Chair.

Please reply to:

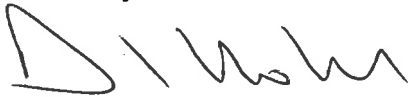
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If you are unable to provide me with such documentation within the next 14 days the Council will be unable to recognise your organisation as a representative body.

Any complaints you wish to make as an individual licensed driver will of course be considered fully, but I would be unable to engage with you as a recognised trade representative.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Holland', written in a cursive style.

Dave Holland
Head of Shared Regulatory Services

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