

Appendix D

Name

Address

Badge Number PH/Hackney

I am a member of the public and a taxi driver who would like to support the hackney increase proposal as the trade is in a critical situation at present due to Inflationary pressures that have hit the trade harder than other industries which has resulted in many drivers leaving the trade, with the cost of living and as you're probably aware price of fuel For example, diesel has risen by 61% since the last time the hackney carriage fares were increased (£1.22 per litre in March 2018 to £1.97 in July 2022) and the average price of used cars rose to 32% in the months between April 2021 and April 2022.

Many Hackney drivers have their plates on hold because they cannot make enough money to live on after expenses, because of the increase in running costs. If this increase is not implemented, our trade is on a downward spiral and there will be fewer and fewer Hackneys taxis available public. For these reasons, I am fully in supporting of the proposed meter increase in this open public consultation

Kind Regards