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Title of report: Annual Review of Hackney Carriage Fares

Report : This report recommends an uplift in hackney carriage fares in Ipswich. This is the first rise for 2 years and it takes account of the effects of the pandemic and rising fuel costs.

What evidence/data is being used to support this equality analysis? Please select all that apply.:

Service area: Public Protection

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Links to supporting documents where available:N/A

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What is proposed?: To increase Hackney Carriage Fares by 5%

Why are the changes being introduced?: To provide hackney carriage drivers with an increased income, some of which will be to off set the rise in fuel costs.

What evidence is being used to support this Equality Impact Assessment, and how is it being used?: AA statistical report on fuel costs

How will this change be implemented?: By recalibrating every taxi meter with the new tariffs.

Age: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: People of all ages use taxis in Ipswich.

Disability: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: Although many hackney carriages are wheelchair accessible and widely used by disabled passengers, they cannot be charged more than an non disabled

passenger for using such a vehicle.

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: N/A

Race: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: n-a

Pregnancy & Maternity: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: n/a

Religion or Belief: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: N/a

Gender Reassignment: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: N/A

Sex: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: n/A

Sexual Orientation: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: N/A

I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives: I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives

The report helps us to 'eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment & victimisation' in the following way(s): By increasing the hackney carriage fares, it will assist in maintaining a mixed fleet of licensed vehicles. Wheelchair accessible vehicles are more expensive to purchase and to run than saloons, and a failure to increase fares could lead to proprietors withdrawing their vehicles from trade. This could lead to passengers who require wheelchair accessible taxis being unable to travel.

The report helps us to 'advance equality of opportunity...' in the following way(s): By increasing the hackney carriage fares, it will assist in maintaining a mixed fleet of licensed vehicles. Wheelchair accessible vehicles are more expensive to purchase and to run than saloons, and a failure to increase fares could lead to proprietors withdrawing their vehicles from trade. This could lead to passengers who require wheelchair accessible taxis being unable to travel.

The policy helps us to 'foster good relations...' in the following way(s): By increasing the

hackney carriage fares, it will assist in maintaining a mixed fleet of licensed vehicles. Wheelchair accessible vehicles are more expensive to purchase and to run than saloons, and a failure to increase fares could lead to proprietors withdrawing their vehicles from trade. This could lead to passengers who require wheelchair accessible taxis being unable to travel.

The new provisions will be reviewed in the following way(s):The number of wheelchair accessible vehicles that remain licensed in Ipswich.
