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Dear Mr Dickens-Smith

**Petition: Upper Limit Vehicle Age  
56 signatories**

I write to confirm that at its meeting held on Monday 26 February, full Council considered and agreed the following recommendation arising from the Licensing and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 22 January 2018:

**RECOMMENDED:** That a new age restriction criteria policy be approved and introduced from 1 April 2018 as follows:

- 1) any new licenced Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles to be less than seven years old when first licensed (determined by the date of first registration on the V5 document). No licensed vehicle will be licensed beyond 10 years;
- 2) the age limit not to apply to Hackney Carriage or Private Hire vehicles licensed prior to 1 April 2018; and
- 3) applications may be considered to licence and re-licence a classic, novelty or vintage vehicle for example a Rolls Royce. The expectation being that they would not work from a taxi rank or carry out routine work.

This now concludes the process with regard to your petition.

Regards



John Collins  
Service Manager - Corporate and Human Resources & Monitoring Officer

