

Swindon Borough Council  
Premier House  
Station Rd  
Swindon

2/06/08

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Would the committee please consider that the last increase in Hackney carriage fares was on the 1st December 2004. where the cost of a litre of fuel was only 78.2p ( source AA ) and any decrease in our fares is totally unjust .

For information and consideration by the committee we have shown the losses that will occur should the advertised fare be passed without what we consider is a **"REASONABLE"** alteration. to re-instate the click over rate to £11.20 where it is at present .

Current night rate (after Midnight)		(New) proposed rate		+ / -
1 mile	£5.20 .....	£5.50		+ 30p
2 miles	£6.90 .....	£7.10		+ 30p
3 miles	£8.70 .....	£9.00		+ 30p
4 miles	£10.60 .....	£10.90		+ 30p
5 miles	£12.80 .....	£12.60		- 20p
6 miles	£15.30 .....	£14.30		- £1
7 miles	£17.80 .....	£16.10		- £1.70p
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We are not asking for an increase ,but only to have the higher tick over rate returned to its "existing" level of £11.20 and not £16.20 as advertised. this will return to our present levels & will automatically counter the losses as detailed above.

We hope the Committee will return the higher rate click over to £11.20 from the advertised £16.20 thus avoiding any losses upon the trade ,should this happen our objections will be withdrawn.

Name	Hackney Carriage Drivers badge No	Vehicle plate number	Signed
IAN C HUNT	HD 122	064	<i>[Signature]</i>
<del>RAY WILLIAMS</del>	<del>HD 015</del>	<del>30</del>	<del><i>[Signature]</i></del>
<del>JOHN KING</del>	<del>HD 53</del>	<del>25</del>	<del><i>[Signature]</i></del>
RICHARD WICKIN	HD 456	213	<i>[Signature]</i>
JOHN KING	HD 0129	10	<i>[Signature]</i>
KEVIN STRATTON	114	-	<i>[Signature]</i>

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M WALKER	303	30	M Walker
S. Childs	490	220	S Childs
G. Haise	83	193	G Haise
A Moore	355	59	A Moore

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