

**OBJECTION TO PASSENGER INFORMATION DOOR SIGNS FOR PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES**

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**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with the objection to the passenger information door signs for private hire vehicles

**2. Actions and Options**

- 2.1 That after hearing the objection Members may choose to:
- (a) Accept the introduction of door signs for all private hire vehicles except for vehicles exempted from displaying a plate from 4 December 2006
  - (b) Refuse the introduction of door signs for all private hire vehicles due to the objection is Annexed

**3. Issues and Choices**

- 3.1 At the meeting of the Regulation Committee held on 21 June 2006, Members resolved that private hire vehicles would be required to display approved door signs.
- 3.2 There is one objection from Mr S Jackman who feels that the glue on door signs may destroy the vehicles paint work and could indicate to a thief that the vehicle is a "cab" and there may be money inside. His other comments are that if door signs all became similar the visually impaired may have difficulty recognising their booked vehicle.

His letter is attached in Annex

**4. Implications****4.1 Policy**

This condition would advertise to the public that private hire vehicle are to be pre booked and could deter a driver from trying to ply for hire unlawfully

**4.2 Resources**

None

4.3 Legal

Eight weeks notice of the proposed change to conditions was sent to the private hire trade on 17 July 2006

4.4 Background Papers:

None