

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
Licensing Committee – 16 August 2012
GRANT OF A TAXI OPERATOR LICENCE NO. X17 – 1 YEARS
 (Renewal Date:)

Report by Head of Legal Services

Name and Address :	<p>Abbas Jassim 33 Muircroft Terrace West Perth PH1 1EB</p> <p>Age: 55</p>
6 Month Decision Date:	9 January 2013
Reason for Report:	<p>This application is for a taxi operator licence for Perth. In Perth City there is currently a limit on taxi numbers. This is set at 70 although there are presently 74 licences following court action. In the circumstances this application cannot be granted under delegated powers.</p> <p>Also, the date of first registration of the proposed vehicle on the application form is 2 September 2006.</p>
Background Information:	<p>A survey of whether there was any significant unmet demand for taxi services in the Perth City was carried out in January and February 2012. The survey was carried out by the Transport Research Institute at Napier University according to current best practice in this field. It was carried out as part of a larger survey incorporating both Blairgowrie and Perth City. The survey was based on rank observation and a public survey. The survey concluded that the limit of 70 taxis for Perth City remain unchanged. Thereafter the Committee considered and approved a report that the limit of 70 taxis in Perth City remain unchanged on 12 July 2012.</p> <p>The proposed vehicle is currently operating as a private hire vehicle. The current test certificate expires 20 September 2012, and the MOT will be due on 21 March 2012. Please note Condition 2.2 reads: - "A taxi or private hire car shall be no more than 7 years old from the date of first registration before being replaced with a vehicle no more than 5 years old. A purpose built taxi-cab meeting M1 specification shall be no more than 10 years old from the date of first registration before being replaced with a vehicle no more than 5 years old".</p>

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