## **BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **CONSULTATION RESPONSE – REVIEW OF TAXI LICENSING POLICY**

The following questions address each of the specific areas of the consultation.

1.	All vans and minibuses with NI category on the V5 document, that have been converted to passenger vehicles will need to submit an Individual Vehicle Approval Certificate from the inception of this policy  b) Should we require certificates for vehicles already licensed subject to a 6 month lead in period  Please add comments below  Reasons/Comments:	YES/ NO
2.	Do you think the Council should require all licensed drivers to maintain subscription to the online DBS update service with a requirement that a full enhanced DBS would only be required following a change in status in the DBS certificate?  Reasons/Comments:	YES/ NO
3.	Do you think the Council should require all drivers who have been living in the UK for less than 5 consecutive years at the time of application for a licence, must obtain a Certificate of Good Conduct	YES/ NO

4. If a driver fails a knowledge test on 3 successive attempts, they will not be able to apply again for 12 months. Do you think the council should introduce this policy?  Reasons/Comments:  5. Safeguarding Training has been part of the driver training programme since January 2015. The council require all existing drivers to undertake safeguarding training. Do you agree all drivers need to attend?  Reasons/Comments:  6. The Penalty Point scheme has been in place now for almost 12 months Do you think it should continue?  Passons/Comments:			
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7.	The Council are considering introducing a non-standard operating licence for limousines, chauffer and executive hire. Are you in favour of this?  Reasons/Comments:	YES/ NO
8.	A Bodywork Standard as part of the Supplementary Testing Manual has been trialled now for over 18 months. Do you think it should be adopted as part of this policy document?  Reasons/Comments:	YES/ NO

Please provide the following information:-	
Name of respondent	
Representing	
Blackburn with Darwen Licence holder	/ES/NO
If Yes licence number	
Contact telephone number	
Contact e-mail address	
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Thank you for taking the time to respond to this consultation exercise.

Please note that all comments must be received by Blackburn with Darwen Council by **30**<sup>th</sup> **November 2016**. Any comments received after this date may not be considered as part of the review.

All responses should be returned to:-

<u>publicprotection@blackburn.gov.uk</u> with the subject header titled "Consultation response".

Or Public Protection Service (Licensing) Room 304 Old Town Hall Blackburn BB1 7DY