COUNCIL

4 JULY 2012

PUBLIC QUESTION

Mr C. Oakes

Chairman of The Hackney Drivers Association

Q As part of the information given to the Licensing and Safety Panel on 6th March 2012 we will ask the following questions.

What factual evidence has the Council got to prove that if an unmet survey was commissioned that it could lead to potential challenge.

What factual evidence has the council got to prove that there is any unmet demand in any part of Bury area. What factual evidence has the Council, got that the cost would be around £15,000 if a survey was commissioned. What questions were asked to obtain a quote.

Does the Council agree that there is no real factual evidence of any of the above and it is only based on a biased option.

A. These matters relate to a request by the Hackney Carriage Drivers' Association to restrict the number of hackney carriage vehicle licences issued by the Panel. The Licensing and Safety Panel fully considered all the issues on 6 March 2012 and determined that the existing policy of no restriction should be continued.

This issue is a Council decision which has been dealt with by the Licensing and Safety Panel acting in accordance with its delegated powers.