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DATE: Tuesday, 15 October 2013

IN THE MATTER. Five Faults and Second Testing station and ranks

STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF HACKEY DRIVERS BURY

Background At a meeting held in Bury on the 15/10/2013, and with unanimous vote for action to be taken, and The Association a been instructed to <u>Demand</u> that the five faults Policy be hereby withdrawn forthwith, Our members say that not only is this policy to onus on them, it is also causing financial hardship not only to Drivers but there families, and domestic violence is on the increase cased by the lack of money being earned, to which the councils policy's are being blamed.

STATEMENT

It was unanimously agreed

It was agreed to request the council to withdraw forthwith the five faults Policy, and replace it with?

- A) A fifteen (15) years and off, and
- B) More Testing Stations.
- C) A Rank out side of the Met Bar Market Street from 10pm to 6am 7 days.

As this policy decimates against the Hackney trade, as the Private Hire do not have the same policy, and therefore it is unfair and onus on the Hackney Trade were the P/Hire is allowed to repair vehicles and continue working until they reach a age were they will not be licensed, as Hackney are wheelchair friendly and are built to last we think its not unreasonable to ask for a long life.

It is clear and something that officers and members the licensing panel of the council wish not really to look at, further testing stations but the trade wants a choice, it is therefore up to the trade now to put its demands to the council, it is therefore request by the Hackney trade and knowing there have been showings of support from the P/Hire trade over this issues which is our opinion as been ignored by the Council. We therefore demand that the council provide additional testing stations to run along said there own at Bradley Fold.

It was also unanimously agreed that further action will be taken this time if the council dose not withdraw the five Policies and provide a further testing station which may be

- 1) Legal action.
- 2) Drivers will peacefully approach the elected members.
- 3) Drivers may not vote for the main parties in the forth coming election.
- 4) A Peaceful vehicle demonstration through Bury
- 5) Drivers to see there MP'S
- 6) Days off with out notice may be taken at any time, there will be no notice
- 7) We will be issuing a press release.
- 8) We will see whether we can take a JR out on the Council for the discrimination show in the five faults Policy's against the hackneys not against the P/Hire, over many years

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Our members say they have had enough it is going to fare the council is killing us with there policy's taking our money and doing nothing our livelihoods are being taken away from us, more plying for hire p/hire picking up on our ranks, and councils doing little to stop it.

The Council as failed to stop parking on 3 night time ranks so we can not use them, our members now have had more than they can stand.

Charles Oakes on behalf of there members

DATED Tuesday, 15 October 2013 Cc to Mr. Parry