

### Consideration of the DfT's Statutory Standards

Section 177 of the Policing and Crime Act 2017 requires licensing authorities to “have regard” to the Statutory Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Standards when exercising their functions.

When considering changes to taxi fares and tariffs we have had regard to the Department for Transport (DfT) Statutory Private Hire Vehicle Standards. In particular:

- The need for consultation at the local level where changes may have significant impacts on passengers and/or the trade. Our consultation ran between 11 November to 22 December 2022; and
- Making publicly available a cohesive policy document that brings together all their procedures on taxi and private hire vehicle licensing. Our consultation was available online and was promoted widely to a variety of Stakeholder groups, including licensees and passenger groups. The Finance Committee paper containing our recommendation and our justifications will be published online in advance of the meeting and any decisions will be communicated:
  - To licensees via a TPH notice, our regular stakeholder engagement forums and on TfL's website; and
  - To passengers via TfL's website and the fare card within all London taxis, both of which would be updated at the point any change to taxi fares are implemented.

More widely, we have considered the potential impacts on children and vulnerable adults, and the positive and negative impacts identified were included in the impact assessments and other factors to consider document which was published with the consultation.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 2022 Review of taxi (black cab) fares and tariffs in London consultation, Impact assessments and other factors to consider, <https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/19789/widgets/56152/documents/33584>