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Title of report: Taxi and Private Hire Policy

Report : the report ask councillors to consider if an amendment to the taxi and private hire policy should be amended. the current policy introduces a 10 year age limit to vehicles in 2025. representations from the trade have requested the age limit remain at 15 years as the 10 year age limit would adversely affect the trade and the public

What evidence/data is being used to support this equality analysis? Please select all that apply.: liscening data base

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Links to supporting documents where available:

Please upload any supporting documents: Committee Report taxi policy.docx

What is proposed?: it is proposed to extend the age limit of all taxi and private hire vehicles to 15 years

Why are the changes being introduced?: the changes are proposed to try and maintain an accessible and efficient taxi and private hire industry in Ipswich

What evidence is being used to support this Equality Impact Assessment, and how is it being used?: information from the taxi and private hire vehicle database is being used to explain the impact of reducing the impact of the 10 year age limit

How will this change be implemented?: if adopted by Council communications with the industry will take place such as information in Taxi Times

Age: Positive

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: extending the age limit of vehicles will positively impact on

people who use taxis and private hire vehicles as it will help maintain the numbers of vehicles in the industry that are accessible

Disability: Positive

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: extending the age limit of vehicles will positively impact on people with disabilities who use taxis and private hire vehicles as it will help maintain the numbers of vehicles in the industry that are accessible

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: this change helps maintain the taxi and private hire industry

Race: No impact

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Pregnancy & Maternity: Positive

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Religion or Belief: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: this change helps maintain the taxi and private hire industry

Gender Reassignment: No impact

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Sex: No impact

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Sexual Orientation: No impact

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I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives: I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives

The report helps us to 'eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment & victimisation' in the following way(s): by enabling people within protected characteristics to access appropriate services to travel at appropriate times to travel independently and safely

The report helps us to 'advance equality of opportunity...' in the following way(s): the change in the age limit will ensure people with protected characteristics who use taxi and private hire vehicles should be able to access services to travel independently and safely

The policy helps us to 'foster good relations...' in the following way(s): the policy change will enable people to continue to access services helping people to travel independently and safely

The new provisions will be reviewed in the following way(s): the policy is reviewed if change arises and at least every three years
