

Report to Environment and Licensing Committee

Subject: Request for an exemption from displaying a licence plate on a private hire vehicle under Section 75 (3) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

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Purpose

To consider a request from a licensed private hire operator to be exempt from displaying plates on his vehicle.

Recommendation(s)

THAT:

- 1) Members consider granting an exemption to Mr Shah Jahan of Shah's Executive Travel under Section 75 (3) of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 to be exempt from displaying licensing plates on any vehicle operated by him whilst carrying out executive/corporate business as long as he is the holder of a current private hire operator's licence. The exemption also provides that the driver of the vehicle is not required to wear a badge.**
- 2) That Mr Jahan carry a notice in the vehicle at all times stating the terms of the exemption.**

1 Background

- 1.1 Section 75 (3) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 provides that the Council can issue a notice to be carried inside the vehicle stating that the vehicle is licensed and is exempt from displaying the licence plate and that the driver of the vehicle is not required to wear his badge.

2 Proposal

- 2.1 Mr Jahan was issued with a private hire operator's licence on 4th February 2020 and has submitted the letter attached at Appendix 1 requesting that members consider his request for his vehicle be exempt from displaying licence plates due to the nature of the private hire business he carries out. The section provides that it then follows that the driver is not required to wear his badge.

4 Appendices

- 4.1 **Appendix 1 – Letter from Mr Shah Jahan at Shah's Executive Travel requesting an exemption under Section 75 (3) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provision) Act 1976**

Gedling Borough Council
Licensing Dept. (TAXI)
Gedling, Nottingham
NG3 5JU

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is a request application for an exemption of taxi vehicle plate, for my car, a Mercedes Benz E220 D, registration number HH65HAH. This is so that I may work as a chauffeur driver on this vehicle, trading as Shah's Executive Travel.

Thankyou for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely