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	<b>Do you support the proposed increase to the maximum age limit for vehicles to be licensed from less than nine years old to less than 11?</b>	<b>Do you support the removal of the requirement that any new vehicle licence will not be granted in respect of a vehicle unless it is less than four years old?</b>	<b>Any other comments?</b>	<b>Response Date</b>
1	Yes	No		04/08/2023
2	Yes	No		04/08/2023
3	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
4	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
5	No	Yes		04/08/2023
6	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
7	Yes	Yes	N/A	04/08/2023
8	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
9	Yes	No		04/08/2023
10	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
11	Yes	No		04/08/2023
12	Yes	Yes	License plate should be removed, should be like London private hire, a sticker, cctv requirement should be removed, not all the customers are comfortable with it	04/08/2023
13	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
14	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
15	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
16	No	No		04/08/2023
17	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
18	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
19	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
20	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023

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21	No	No	All new vehicles should be fully electric or plug in hybrids no age restrictions, wheelchair vehicles should be licensed as combustion engine of any age but must be at least euro 6 engine.	04/08/2023
22	Yes	Yes	extend age of vehicle especially wheel chair and multis as they cost a lot more too purchase if not they will decrease in time and if you look over the past 5 years you will see im right	04/08/2023
23	Yes	Yes	I believe those changes will also apply (must apply) to traditional hybrid vehicles.	04/08/2023
24	Yes	Yes	Age limits are unnecessary. The overall condition of the vehicle should be given priority. A twelve year old vehicle if maintained correctly can be far more superior and roadworthy , in better condition than a similar vehicle that's half it's age and mileage having been neglected , not serviced or received any regular and correctly performed maintenance.	04/08/2023
25	No	Yes		04/08/2023
26	Yes	Yes	Remove the age limit for both. Thanks	04/08/2023
27	Yes	No		04/08/2023
28	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
29	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
30	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
31	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
32	Yes	Yes	Above should be implemented immediately. Help with loss of earnings due to lockdown and covid.	04/08/2023
33	Yes	Yes	Electric cars age can even be longer than 11 years considering their environmental friendliness.	04/08/2023
34	Yes	Yes	It will be the best decision in the history of Cambridge taxis! The Licensing Committee will receive the respect and consideration of our taxi drivers! Congrac! Regards,	04/08/2023
35	Yes	Yes	This is a very sensible solution to many of the taxi trade challenges. Taxis are generally better maintained than private vehicles of the same age. Having 2 COC tests a year helps to ensure the safety and condition of vehicles	04/08/2023
36	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023

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37	Yes	Yes	Please approve the decision to increase the age limit for new taxis This will help us with our budgets when buying a vehicle for taxi use	04/08/2023
38	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
39	Yes	Yes	I do not support the silver colour with a green stripe or the installation of cameras	04/08/2023
40	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
41	Yes	Yes	Cars are now built a massively better and engines and filter out pollutants and body's even on 11+ years old cars are exultant rarely have any rust Also will give better choices to fined silver cars if you are able to look over 4 years are mor3 readily available	04/08/2023
42	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
43	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
44	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
45	Yes	Yes	I have been a licenced Cambridge taxi driver for over 20 years but I can't afford a new car in the current climate. If these restrictions on age don't change, I will have to switch to South Cambs.	04/08/2023
46	Yes	Yes	We should consider keeping Hybrid for at least 6 more year's until we can get more mileage rang on them.	04/08/2023
47	Yes	No		04/08/2023
48	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
49	Yes	Yes	I think extending the registration of self-charging hybrid vehicles will help the taxi trade to choose from a wider range of vehicles available on the market.	04/08/2023
50	Yes	Yes	Support financially the drivers who struggle to pay for cctv cameras installation costs.	04/08/2023
51	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
52	Yes	No		04/08/2023
53	Yes	No		04/08/2023
54	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
55	Yes	Yes	As long as the vehicle is passing the mot it should be licensed. I think increasing the age limit is a good idea especially with the cost of living is at its highest at the moment.	04/08/2023

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56	Yes	Yes	With the current cost of living crisis and economic uncertainty and the incredible expense of the requirements for taxi vehicles, these proposed changes would create a significant impact for drivers like myself and ease some of the financial hardships we are all facing	04/08/2023
57	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
58	Yes	Yes		04/08/2023
59	Yes	Yes	Can you please remove the colour restrictions on hackney carriage because we have very less choice in order to find right car.	05/08/2023
60	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
61	Yes	Yes	it is very expensive buy new or 4 cars take wheelchair	05/08/2023
62	Yes	No	As you know low range electric vehicle are not suitable for taxi services high range electric vehicle are also very expensive. Can we change electric vehicle to highbried vehicle please?	05/08/2023
63	Yes	Yes	I also believe that current licensed vehicles that would meet the new proposed criteria should also be allowed to be licensed for the extra 2 years	05/08/2023
64	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
65	Yes	Yes	Decrease to inflation we all should do minimum spending maximum savings to help reduce interest rate and mortgage.	05/08/2023
66	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
67	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
68	Yes	Yes	It's very hard at the moment with the trade and everyone being under a financial strain and would help many people if the proposed increase of the age limit goes ahead!..	05/08/2023
69	No	No	All new vehicles should be older than 3 years old.And max. age should be no more than 5 years.Unless the vehicle in question is fully electric.In which case, it can be up to 10 years old when first registered.And can be maintained for 15 years.This puts the emphasis on non-emitting vehicles, due to fewer moving parts and lack of emissions then they can be maintained for longer.	05/08/2023

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70	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
71	Yes	Yes	Please help us remove the silver colour livery.	05/08/2023
72	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
73	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
74	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
75	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
76	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
77	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
78	Yes	Yes		05/08/2023
79	Yes	Yes		06/08/2023
80	Yes	Yes		06/08/2023
81	Yes	Yes	In these times we less barriers to to people who want to earn a living.	06/08/2023
82	Yes	Yes		06/08/2023
83	Yes	Yes		06/08/2023
84	No	No	The restrictions should be heightened for ICE vehicles and relaxed for EVs.  i.e. for ICE vehicles then the max. age should be 5 years and automatically refused if older than 3 years.  But for EVs then the max. age should be 20 years and automatically accepted if less than 10 years old.	07/08/2023
85	Yes	Yes		07/08/2023
86	Yes	Yes		07/08/2023
87	Yes	Yes		07/08/2023
88	Yes	Yes		08/08/2023
89	Yes	Yes	get rid of all electric cars requirement its daft	08/08/2023
90	Yes	No	My personal opinion at list age 7 years old hybrid are plug in & electric Like south Cambridgeshire Concil did any age euro 6 All drive getting badge from south Cambridgeshire Concil because so easy mot once a year and they all driver working in Cambridge city also	08/08/2023

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			Cambridge city Concil safeguarding so hard please please make safeguarding easy so much stress for drivers including me	
91	Yes	Yes	Even the proposed restrictions are onerous.	08/08/2023
92	Yes	No		08/08/2023
93	Yes	No	Due to Covid-19 and increasing expenses it is very hard to buy less than four years old vehicle. Vehicles must be hybrid, plug in and fully electric. For the new car just change less than four years to less than 7 yrs	09/08/2023
94	No	No	There is currently a worldwide problem with rising global temperatures and rising carbon emissions. Permitting even older taxis and private hire cars to operate in Cambridge will exacerbate these problems. Cambridge City Council has a policy to reduce carbon emissions and move to electric vehicles for its own fleet. It is totally against Council policies to permit taxis and private hire vehicles to operate in the way proposed.	09/08/2023
95	Yes	No	All taxis should be EV	09/08/2023
96	Yes	No	Should be 6years at least	09/08/2023
97	Yes	Yes		10/08/2023
98	Yes	Yes		10/08/2023
99	No	No	This is an attempt by the taxi trade to water down the environmental benefits of the current rules. The City Council should not be pandering to the taxi lobby. Taxis cause enormous pollution within Cambridge.	10/08/2023
100	Yes	Yes		10/08/2023
101	Yes	Yes	Living costs are very high. Earning have come down massively It will be a great help for us taxi drivers if we get this support from the council	10/08/2023
102	Yes	Yes		10/08/2023
103	Yes	Yes	An increase in age for taxis must be the common sense approach as the council COC test's keep an eye on a taxis fit for use, 6 monthly.	10/08/2023
104	No	Yes		10/08/2023
105	Yes	Yes	If the car is passing the strict MOT conditions and physically is sound then there should be no restrictions. As the council keeps on issuing licences	11/08/2023

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			which increae the number of drivers and reduce the income. Financially difficult time. So any little help will be appreciated. Thanks	
106	Yes	Yes		11/08/2023
107	Yes	Yes	I support this, and would endorse further extensions also.  The most environmentally harmful part of a vehicles life is it's manufacture. Prolonging the serviceable life of a vehicle is a positive step for the environment, and a good measure to support business.	11/08/2023
108	Yes	No	New licencees should factor in these potential chrges in their business plans.	11/08/2023
109	Yes	No	I agree to cctv in veichle to monitor legal lawful professionalism	11/08/2023
110	Yes	Yes	To encourage zero emissions wav vehicals ie Levv Txv a higher age of upto 10 years for first registration of second hand vehicles would be affordable to Cambridge cabbies.	11/08/2023
111	Yes	Yes	living crisis and car prices are rocket high at the moment it really hard to afford new vehicles this days. Many thanks	11/08/2023
112	No	No	All new taxis should be zero emissions.	12/08/2023
113	No	No		12/08/2023
114	No	No		12/08/2023
115	Yes	Yes		12/08/2023
116	Yes	Yes		12/08/2023
117	No	Yes		12/08/2023
118	Yes	Yes		12/08/2023
119	Yes	Yes	Seems to me that the actual emissions and state of repair are far more important than the age of a vehicle. (My car is 19 years old and still meets the London ULEZ standard for example.) Scrapping vehicles also has an environmental cost. So I am very much in favour of the proposals (and think they could go even further).	12/08/2023
120	No	No	Vehicles plying for hire do large mileages and should be of the highest possible standard for safety and emissions, l've not ageing.	12/08/2023
121	No	Yes		12/08/2023

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122	Yes	Yes	We need taxis in Cambridge and I support these proposals to give them some leeway to continue using their vehicles until there financial environment improves.	12/08/2023
123	No	No	Think about the kids and the air they breath. More important.	12/08/2023
124	No	No		12/08/2023
125	Yes	Yes	Hi I m ***** taxi driver .After long pandemic and bad financial year now Ukraine war business has been so much affected .on top buying a new vehicle is soo expensive. Although After buying spend soo much money to bring vehicle on road ,(whilechair exc+roof sign , green strip ,cameras,Taxi mitter),if council consider 5/6yeays old vehicle can use as a taxi then we can afford to buy a vehicle.Please consider extra few year old vehicle .Thanks to Cambridge City Council to listen to me. *****	13/08/2023
126	Yes	Yes	i think with the crisis we went through with the covid time and how the car price increased the last few years it good to have extra year for the age of car for help us recover the bussines.	13/08/2023
127	Yes	Yes	An additional consideration is the climate cost of forcing new vehicles.	13/08/2023
128	Yes	Yes		13/08/2023
129	Yes	No	As the EV market grows, suitable vehicles will become available second hand. This requirement would make owning a taxi financially unviable.	13/08/2023
130	Yes	Yes		13/08/2023
131	Yes	Yes		13/08/2023
132	Yes	No		13/08/2023
133	Yes	Yes		13/08/2023
134	No	No		13/08/2023
135	No	Yes	The council should consider ensuring that all public service vehicles i.e. hackney carriages, private hire (inc Uber), buses, trams etc. to become zero emission by 2030. This allows over 6 years for all parties to prepare.	13/08/2023



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136	No	Yes		14/08/2023
137	Yes	No	Cars are so good these days, any vehicle up to 10 years old would be good enough	14/08/2023
138	No	Yes	Should be modern clean tact's some are a disgrace	14/08/2023
139	Yes	Yes	I am a ***** for ***** and sit on the *****	14/08/2023
140	No	No	Why? People are scrapping to make a living now, why impose more restrictions, more cost. I do believe that council officials live in cloud cuckoo land. Ps I am mot a taxi driver I am a nurse.	14/08/2023
141	No	No		14/08/2023
142	Yes	Yes		14/08/2023
143	No	Yes	Taxis and hire cas do significantly more milegae in our city than other vehicles so they need to be electric and as low polluting as possible. Extending the age allowed for these cars would mean allowing petrol and diesel taxis and hire cars being used for longer.	15/08/2023
144	No	No	I think this will put a lot of people out of work. All cars in England have an mot so should be safe anyway	16/08/2023
145	Yes	Yes		16/08/2023
146	Yes	Yes		16/08/2023
147	Yes	Yes		16/08/2023
148	Yes	Yes		17/08/2023
149	Yes	Yes	At a time when most people are struggling to keep thie head above water why would one think about making it difficult for taxi drivers who are only going to pass the cost onto us. In addition, no one wants to wait around for a taxi forever because of a shortage of available taxis. Currently, electric vehicles batteries don't allow for long journeys and will only deteriorate over time. Surely, the batteries will pollute the atmosphere when they are retired as they will contain dangerous chemicals. In conclusion, yes I support the extension and the 4 year rule.	17/08/2023
150	Yes	Yes		18/08/2023
151	Yes	Yes	Provide monetary compensation to EV taxis who are now paying more than 120% for charging since the price per kWh went up from £0.25 to £0.59.	19/08/2023

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152	Yes	No	You need to publish an estimate of the impact. Blanket removal of an age restriction is just asking for people to abuse the system. If 4 y is too tight, raise the limit.	19/08/2023
153	Yes	Yes		19/08/2023
154	Yes	Yes		20/08/2023
155	No	No	There are too many taxis in Cambridge.	20/08/2023
156	Yes	Yes		20/08/2023
157	Yes	Yes		20/08/2023
158	Yes	Yes		20/08/2023
159	Yes	Yes		21/08/2023
160	Yes	Yes		21/08/2023
161	No	No		23/08/2023
162	Yes	Yes	From a business point of view the proposed increase to the maximum vehicle licence will go some way to help my business recover from the covid lockdown period of 2020/2021. My vehicles historically are replaced over a four year rolling period as such the above two years provided next to no profit and therefore no monies could be saved towards replacement vehicles. The above proposal will make up for this short fall.	23/08/2023
163	Yes	Yes	Any vehicle irrespective of age is tested (coc) twice yearly by the council',as such if that vehicle passes these tests it is ok/safe to be used as a hackney carriage.	24/08/2023
164	No	No	We don't want horrible old knackered cars as taxis.	25/08/2023
165	Yes	Yes	This is good positive change in saving Cambridge City asset that are HCV WAV. EQUALITY is very important in the world ruled by money.	26/08/2023
166	Yes	Yes	I'm happy to hold my vehicle 11 years on this taxi business and car registration age would be at least 6 years old, thanks	26/08/2023
167	No	No		26/08/2023

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			<p>I had reason to complain to ***** in June/July this year about the dreadful state of the taxi we were given. I emailed both ***** . *****as well as *****</p> <p>All emails using a different email address beginning with ***** will have been recorded and accessible? please let me know and I will forward them</p> <p>The taxi in question was 14 years old? Not sure why your taxi age dates are different. This for us was a Cambridge to Heathrow pre booked taxi.</p>	
168	Yes	No	Please can you clarify	26/08/2023
169	Yes	Yes		26/08/2023
170	No	No		26/08/2023