Date:

Michelle Bignell,
Cotswold District Council,
Council offices,
Trinity road,
Cirencester,
Gloucestershire,
GL7 IPX

Dear Michelle,

In response to the consultation on proposed taxi fare increase in the Cotswold district I object to the proposal because the proposed fare increases are not sufficient on Tariff I, far too much on Tariff 2 and that introducing Tariff 3 on bank holidays will both have a negative effect on trade. I feel that having such high fares on Tariff 2 and increasing the use of Tariff 3 will endanger lone females travelling at night and have a detrimental impact on low earners/pensioners at other times. High fares simply make customers seek alternatives such as drink-driving or walking. Whilst we undoubtedly need a fare increase it needs to be both fair to the trade and the public alike.

I would like to support the alternative proposal below.

Tariff I.

For the first 1410 yards or part thereof £3.20 / For the subsequent 70 yards or part thereof £0.10

Tariff 2.

For the first 1410 yards or part thereof £3.70 / For the subsequent 60 yards or part thereof £0.10

Tariff 3.

For the first 1410 yards or part thereof £6.40 / For the subsequent 70 yards or part thereof £0.20

Additional Charges

Waiting to all 3 tariffs £0.30 per minute or part thereof.

Extra charge per passenger above two £0.15

Extra luggage charge for each package carried outside £0.15, for each bicycle or perambulator £0.30 Soiling charge valet costs (excluding loss of earnings) £75.00

Tariff I For hirings between 7am - 9pm Monday to Saturday

Tariff 2 For Hirings between 9pm and 7am and all day Sundays and bank holidays.

Tariff 3 For Hirings from 9pm on Christmas Eve and all hirings on Christmas day and boxing day. For Hirings from 6pm on New Years Eve and all hirings on New Years Day to 23.59 hours.

Prices on the above tariffs equate to:

Tariff I First mile £3.70 Running mile £2.50 2 mile journey £6.20

Tariff 2 First mile £4.30 Running mile £2.90 2 mile journey £7.20

Tariff 3 First mile £7.40 Running mile £5.00 2 mile journey £12.40

Yours sincerely,

Name (Print):

Badge number:

Signed: