

Reference: FOI4067

Request:

Please can I have a list of all current Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles licenced by North Tyneside Council. For each vehicle please provide the following information:

Registration number; Hackney Carriage or Private Hire plate number; Make and model e.g. Vauxhall Vivaro, Skoda Octavia; Date first registered; Number of passenger seats; Whether the vehicle is designated as wheelchair accessible; and Name of current proprietor(s).

Can you also provide me a list of current Private Hire Operators licenced by North Tyneside Council. Please provide the following information for each operator:

Name of licence holder(s); Trading name; Business Address; Approximate number of vehicles licenced; Date the licence commenced and date it will end; and Operator Licence Number (if applicable).

Response:

Please find attached a list of all Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles with the following information:

Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Plate Number; Make and Model; and Issue and Expiry Date

Vehicle Registration Numbers are not being supplied after applying section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act (personal data) following the ICO decision on the 8 March 2019

Vehicle Registration Numbers are exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act (personal data) following the ICO decision Reference, FS50793373, link below:

https://ico.org.uk/media/action-weve-taken/decision-notices/2019/2614512/fs50793373.pdf

In order to extract the information requested regarding the number of seats, date first registered and whether the vehicle is wheelchair accessible, the records would need to be searched individually. There is currently no means of extracting this

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information automatically. Each individual file will need to be examined, at 5 minutes x 800 files which would take in excess of 66 hours. Therefore, this part of the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

The names of the proprietors have also been omitted as this is not a matter for the public register.

In relation to Private Hire Operators licenced by North Tyneside Council, please find attached a list of all licensed operators with the information you have requested.

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