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Meeting

GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE

Date and Time

10.00 am, MONDAY, 22ND JUNE, 2026

Location

Virtual Meeting

NOTE

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GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE

MEMBERSHIP (15)

Plaid Cymru (10)

Councillors

Alan Jones Evans
Gareth Tudor Jones
Gwynfor Owen
Huw Rowlands
Gwilym Evans

Annwen Hughes
Edgar Wyn Owen
Arwyn Herald Roberts
Elfed Williams
Meryl Roberts

Independent (5)

Councillors

Gareth Williams
Anwen J. Davies
Hefin Underwood

Angela Russell
John Brynmor Hughes

Ex-officio Members

Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council

A G E N D A

1. ELECT CHAIR

To elect Chair for 2026 / 2027

2. ELECT VICE CHAIR

To elect Vice Chair for 2026 / 2027

3. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

4. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

To receive any declaration of personal interest.

5. URGENT ITEMS

To note any items that are a matter of urgency in the view of the Chairman for consideration.

6. MINUTES

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The Chairman shall propose that the minutes of the meeting of this Committee, held on the 9th of March 2026 be signed as a true record.

7. GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

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To submit, for information, minutes of the General Licensing Sub-committee meeting held on the following date –

a) 10-02-26

8. HACKNEY CARRIAGE TAXI FARES

8 - 20

To consider and approve a proposal by the industry to increase the maximum fares

GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE 09-03-2026

Present:

Councillors: Alan Jones Evans, Gwilym Evans, Annwen Hughes, John Brynmor Hughes, Gareth Tudor Jones, Edgar Wyn Owen, Huw Rowlands, Elfed Williams, Gwynfor Owen, Meryl Roberts, Hefin Underwood and Gareth Williams.

Officers: Gwenan Mai Roberts (Licensing Manager), Andrew Parry (Trading Standards and Licensing Manager), Nia Grisdale (Legal Services Manager), Jac Evans (Solicitor) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer).

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Arwyn Herald Roberts and Angela Russell.

Councillor Anwen Davies had been unable to join due to technical issues.

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

No declarations of personal interest were received from any members present.

3. URGENT MATTERS

None to note

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chair signed the minutes of the previous meeting of this committee, held on 1 December 2025, as a true record.

5. MINUTES OF THE GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEES

The minutes of the General Licensing Sub-Committee held on 5 November 2025, were submitted and accepted.

The meeting commenced at 10.25am and concluded at 10.30am.

GENERAL LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE 10-02-2026

Attendance:

Councillors: Gwynfor Owen (Chair), Gwilym Evans and Huw Rowlands

Officers: Nia Grisdale (Legal Service Manager), Rhian Meredith (Licensing Compliance Officer), Nicola Williams (Licensing Compliance Officer) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer)

Others invited:

Item 5: Applicant: Ms A

1. APOLOGIES

None to note

2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

None to note

3. URGENT ITEMS

None to note

4. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on the following items due to the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 12 and 13, Part 4, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. These paragraphs applied as the individuals in question were entitled to privacy and there was no overriding public interest that required the disclosure of personal information relating to those individuals, or their identities. Consequently, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

5. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF HACKNEY / PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLE DRIVING LICENCE – Ms A

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. He highlighted that the decision would be made in accordance with Cyngor Gwynedd's Licensing Policy. It was noted that the purpose of the policy was to set guidelines for the criteria when considering the applicant's application, with the aim of protecting the public by ensuring that:

- The person is a fit and proper person
- The person does not pose a threat to the public
- The public are safeguarded from dishonest persons
- Children and young people are protected
- Vulnerable persons are protected
- The public have confidence in using licensed vehicles.

The Licensing Compliance Officer presented a written report on an application by Ms A to renew a hackney/private hire vehicle driving licence. The Sub-Committee was asked to consider the application according to what relates to an individual's suitability to be a private hackney/hire vehicle driver.

In accordance with the Suitability Criteria for Drivers and Operators, the Licensing Authority recommended that the Sub-Committee refuse the application.

In response to a question on whether the applicant had disclosed details of the offences to the Licensing Unit, the Licensing Compliance Officer stated that the information had not been disclosed to them, and the details had not been included on the application form.

The applicant was invited to elaborate on the application giving information about the background of the three occasions on which she had received the penalty points, and her personal circumstances. After receiving the penalty points, she revealed that she had made an appointment with the optician where she was found to have an eye impairment. As a result, she was advised to wear appropriate glasses for driving in the dark. She reiterated that she had not received penalty points since July 2024. She stated that she had not disclosed the penalty points on her application because her Employer had completed the form on her behalf. She accepted the seriousness of the situation, that if she lost her licence, she would lose her job.

It was RESOLVED that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to be issued with a hackney carriage/private hire driver's licence from Cyngor Gwynedd.

In reaching its decision, the Sub-committee had considered the following:

- The requirements of 'Cyngor Gwynedd's Licensing Policy for Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles'
- Individual Suitability Guidelines
- The Report of the Licensing Department
- The applicant's application form
- The applicant's DBS – no record of convictions
- The report of the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency
- Verbal observations by the applicant

Specific consideration was given to the following matters:

Background

In December 2023 the applicant received 3 penalty points (SP30) for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road

In July 2024 the applicant received 3 penalty points (SP30) for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road

In July 2024 the applicant received a further 5 penalty points (SP30) for exceeding the statutory speed limit on a public road and a £200 fine at North East Wales Magistrates' Court

RELEVANT CLAUSES OF THE POLICY

Paragraph 2.2 of the Council's Policy was considered, which states that a person with a conviction for a serious offence need not be automatically barred from obtaining a licence, but they will be expected to have been free of any conviction for an appropriate period as stated in the Policy, and to show evidence that they are a fit and proper person to hold a licence. The onus is on the applicant to prove that he/she is a fit and proper person.

Paragraph 2.4 states that when an applicant has a conviction(s) or there are other associated matter(s) to be considered, the Council cannot review the merits of that conviction or other matter.

Paragraph 4.5 was considered, which states that the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) (Amendment) Order 2002 allows the Sub-committee to take into account all convictions recorded against an applicant, whether spent or not, under the 1974 Act.

Section 13 relates to minor traffic offences and mainly refers to offences that are not listed in paragraph 12.2 of the Policy. Paragraph 13.1 defines a 'minor traffic offence' as an offence that incurs between 1 and 3 penalty points. Consideration was given to paragraph 13.3 which states that "More than one conviction for a minor traffic offence or other matter to be considered may result in a refusal, particularly where there are several convictions or other matters to be considered for the same offence e.g. speeding". A licensed driver may be referred to a Licensing Sub-Committee if there are more than two offences and/or a total of 6 points on the licence.

CONCLUSIONS

The Sub-Committee accepted that the applicant had three speeding offences within just over 8 months of each other, and an explanation was obtained about each of the speeding incidents, their locations and times (at night).

In accordance with the Policy, more than one conviction for a minor traffic offence, particularly if there was a pattern to the behaviour, could result in the refusal of a licence. After carefully weighing up all the factors, and acknowledging that the applicant had shown remorse for the offences, the Sub-committee's decision was that three instances of speeding showed a pattern and therefore they were not convinced that she met the expected standards for a taxi driver.

The Sub-Committee weighed up all the relevant factors, taking into account the applicant's circumstances and comments regarding the driving offences. While accepting the applicant's explanation regarding her eye impairment, the Sub-Committee remained concerned about the number of points on the licence – a significant number considering the timeframe in question. In addition, the Sub-Committee was disappointed that the offences had not been declared on the application form. The Sub-committee appreciated her honest account of the circumstances and the answers presented to the questions. However, given that the level of penalty points was significantly high, granting a licence under the circumstances would be contrary to policy.

As per the Institute of Licensing's Document the Sub-Committee must satisfy themselves that the applicant has shown themselves to be a responsible, fit and proper person to hold a licence. In this case, on the basis of probability, the Sub-Committee was not satisfied that they could be confident that the applicant met the standards for a taxi driver.

The Solicitor reported that the decision would be confirmed formally by letter to the applicant, and highlighted her right to appeal the decision.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 and concluded at 10.40

COMMITTEE	GENERAL LICENSING COMMITTEE
DATE:	22 JUNE 2026
TITLE:	HACKNEY CARRIAGE TAXI FARES
PURPOSE:	APPROVE A PROPOSAL BY THE INDUSTRY TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM FARES
AUTHOR:	HEAD OF ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 1.1 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 places regulation duties on the Licensing Authority in relation to operating a maximum fare the public can be charged when travelling in hackney vehicles within the County. The Act mandates the provision of a fare chart, and this along with the statutory requirement to use a taxi meter, allows a mechanism to regulate the fares charged and to protect public interests.
- 1.2 It is required that any request to change the maximum fare charged is submitted by the industry. Three requests were recently received from Mr Chris O'Neal and Mr Mark Davies and Mr Mark Dunning who are taxi company owners - to review the fares. A detailed proposal was sent by Mr Chris O'Neal only, and he submitted the proposal on behalf of the Network Cars company. See the appendix to this report for full copies of the proposals and the correspondence received from the industry.
- 1.3 The maximum fare is not relevant to journeys in private hire vehicles that have been pre-booked.
- 1.4 A successful application to increase the maximum fare was received in 2019, and later in 2022, and there has been no change since then. See Appendix 1 for a table of the current maximum fares. The maximum fares were increased for the first two miles of a taxi journey from £5 to £6 in 2019; which is a substantial increase that reflected the average inflation costs over the period. There has been no increase in the standard rate of the first and second mile of a journey since then.
- 1.5 This Committee agreed to increase other supplementary rates in 2022 instead of increasing the standard 1 and 2-mile rate as follows -

Table 1 - APPROVED INCREASE IN TAXI PRICES 2022
Keep the maximum fare for a one-mile journey and a journey of two miles (or more) the same. The fare charged at the time was around the average when compared with other Councils in north Wales, and increasing the basic rates for short journeys would disadvantage those most in need in society
Increase the maximum cost for transporting additional bags in the vehicle's boot from 30p per item to 50p per item
Increase the cost of valeting from £45 to £120 to reflect current professional cleaning charges, and the time when the vehicle is not available for hire.
Increase the taxi hire rate between 00:00 and 07:00 by 50% higher than the basic rate to 60% higher than the basic rate of £4.50 to £4.80 per mile.
Create a new tariff for journeys in a minibus where there are between 5 and 8 passengers - to £6.60 for a journey of more than two miles.

2 FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE COSTS OF TAXI BUSINESSES

- 2.1 Small and medium-sized businesses who employ workers have faced an increase in costs such as national insurance and an increase in the minimum salary rate over recent years - and this has undermined the ability of small businesses such as taxi companies to make a profit.
- 2.2 The country's economic situation over the last few months has seen a significant increase in fuel costs, particularly Diesel due to the war in Iran. The projections state that fuel costs will not fall in the near future and there is another significant increase on the horizon in gas and electricity costs that will affect everyone.
- 2.3 Note that the inflation rate continues to be higher than the Government's 2% target. Although the inflation rate has fallen recently; the increase in fuel costs and geopolitical factors in the Middle East mean that inflation and basic food costs are likely to increase over the coming months.
- 2.4 The costs of appropriate insurance cover for licensed vehicles are high and of course there are annual costs attached to licensing a taxi vehicle and costs involved every three years with drivers' licences.

3. THE INDUSTRY'S PROPOSAL FOR THE NEW MAXIMUM FARE FOR HACKNEY VEHICLE JOURNEYS

- 3.1 Many councils have recently been receiving specific proposals from the taxi industry to review and increase the maximum fare in various ways. There is a specific maximum rate for different elements; including a rate for a 1-mile journey and a general rate where a journey is 2 miles or more. The maximum fare that is currently operated for journeys in hackney vehicles across nearby counties can be seen in the table below, and maximum fares have been the subject of a recent review have been noted.

Table 2 – the current equivalent fare for a 1-mile journey

	Current Gwynedd	Anglesey	Conwy	Powys	Denbighshire	Ceredigion
	£3.60	£3.50	£4.00	£4.00	£4.00	£3.50
Review year	2022	2017	2022 Increase	2022 Remained the same	Recommendation	Consultation on the recommendation to increase to £4.00

- 3.3 Generally across Wales - the most rural counties charge between £3 and £4 for the first mile, with some Urban counties in the South charging between £5 and £6. Note that the majority of counties charge between £4 and £5 for the first mile
- 3.4 Several of the companies who have submitted a proposal to increase the maximum fare propose an increase in the rate for the first mile from £3.60 to £4.00. Several individuals in the industry requested an increase the rate of the first mile in 2022, but due to a concern that vulnerable individuals were likely to rely on short local journeys in taxis, it was decided to increase other rates as noted above in table 1.

proposal to charge more for short journeys is understandable, because the costs associated with a vehicle and driver are higher for shorter journeys.

- 3.3 People who use taxis during the day for short journeys are more likely to be unable to use other modes of transport and are more likely to be elderly or vulnerable. It is important to be very careful when weighing up the benefits of increasing taxi fares for the industry, against the disadvantages that arise when introducing measures that are likely to have an impact on a cohort of society that are most affected by an increase in the cost of living.
- 3.4 The taxi companies make the point that minimum wage rates have increased, as well as the costs of vehicle maintenance. It is noted that costs are no longer recovered by charging £3.60 for the first mile, and one company is requesting to increase the rate for the second mile in a hackney vehicle taxi and the subsequent miles.
- 3.5 One company notes that taxi companies in rural areas will not be able to survive without permission to charge more for taxi journeys. Fewer taxi companies in a rural area where taxi provision is already scarce will create more inequalities in terms of access to services for the most vulnerable people in our society.
- 3.6 Some who have submitted proposals from the industry also suggest that we should look carefully at the maximum fares in relation to changing the late-night tariff periods, starting the late tariff earlier in the night, as many journeys associated with the late-night economy are by choice.
- 3.7 It is important to note that taxi companies are not required to charge the maximum fare for hackney vehicle journeys. Many companies choose not to do so and charge lower fares that are in accordance with what is considered to be a competitive rate.

4. THE LICENSING AUTHORITY'S PROPOSAL

- 4.1 Having considered all the factors that are important in the existing economic context - it is proposed that the fares are increased as follows -
 - Increase the maximum fare for a 1-mile journey from £3.60 to £4.00 to be consistent with several other councils so as to address the increase in the costs of running a taxi.
 - Increase the operational hours of the late-night tariff to be operational between 21:00pm and 07:00am, instead of being operational from 00:00 midnight.
 - Reduce the rate of late-night journeys from being 60% higher than the basic rate back to being 50% higher than the basic rate to correspond generally with other councils.

Table 3 – comparison of the proposed changes with the current situation

Relevant maximum fare	Current rates since 2022	2026 Recommendation
Where the journey is less than a mile	£3.60	£4.00
Where the journey is more than a mile, for the first mile	£3.00	No change
Create an additional tariff for journeys in a minibus where there are between 5 and 8 passengers	£3.30	£3.30
Maximum cost for transporting additional bags in the vehicle's boot	50p	50p
Maximum cost of professional valet cleaning	£120	£120
For hiring the vehicle between midnight and 7:00am any day or at any time on a Bank Holiday, except for Christmas Day and New Year's Day.	60% in addition to the basic rate £4.80	50% in addition to the basic rate £4.50, but the rate to be operational from 9pm instead of midnight

5. CONSULTATION WITH THE INDUSTRY


- 4.1 If this Committee accepts the recommendation, we will hold a consultation on the proposal for 14 days in a local newspaper, with the intention of implementing the new maximum fare from the end date of the notice.
- 4.2 If any objections to the proposal are received during the consultation period, the recommendation will be referred back to this Committee to consider the basis of the objection, and it will not be implemented until a final decision is made by the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee approves the proposal to increase the maximum fare in accordance with the recommendations; or approve other options to increase the maximum fare, for journeys in the County's licenced hackney vehicles.

Yn unol ag adran 65 o'r Deddf Llywodraeth Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 1976 – mae Cyngor Gwynedd yn cyhoeddi y bwriad i amrywio prisiau cludo ar gyfer cerbydau hacni fel a ganlyn:

In accordance with Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 – Gwynedd Council hereby publish a proposed variation in hackney carriage fares as follows:

CYNGOR GWYNEDD COUNCIL	
PRISIAU CLUDO CERBYD HACNI/HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARE 2022 yn weithredol trwy ardal y Cyngor o 1/08/2026 <i>in operation throughout the area of the Council as from the 1/8/2026</i>	
	
Milltiroedd / Mileage	Cost
Oni fydd y pellter cyfan yn fwy nag un filltir <i>If the distance does not exceed one mile for the whole distance</i>	£4.00
Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf <i>If the distance exceeds one mile; for the first mile</i>	£3.00
Am bob degfed rhan o filltir wedyn neu ran o hynny <i>For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or uncompleted part thereof</i>	£0.30c/p
Amser Disgwyl / Waiting Time	
Am bob cyfnod o 1 munud neu ran o hynny <i>For each period of 1 minute or uncompleted part thereof</i>	£0.30c/p
Milltiroedd - bws mini sy'n cario 5 i 8 teithiwr Mileage – Minibus carrying 5 to 8 passengers	
Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf <i>If the distance exceeds one mile; for the first mile</i>	£3.30
Taliadau Ychwanegol / Extra Charges	
1. Am logi'r cerbyd rhwng 21:00 yr hwyr a 7:00 y.b. unrhyw ddydd neu ar unrhyw amser ar Wyl y Banc, heblaw am Ddydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan <i>For hirings between 21:00 hrs and 7:00 a.m. on any day or at any time on Bank Holidays except Christmas Day and New Year's Day</i>	50% o'r cyfradd dal uchod 50% of the above rates
2. Dydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan <i>Christmas Day and New Year's Day</i>	100% o'r cyfradd dal uchod 100% of the above rates
3. Am bob cês a bag yn ychwanegol or un cês a gludir to allan i'r caban teithwyr <i>For each article of luggage in excess of one case conveyed outside the passenger compartment of the carriage</i>	£0.50c/p
4. Am bob person yn fwy nag un, am y cyfan o'r daith <i>For each person in excess of one of the whole journey</i>	£0.40c/p
5. Am gludo anifeiliaid, h.y. Cwn a Cathod <i>Carriage of animals, i.e. Dogs and Cats</i>	£1.20c/p
Nodir: Fod dim tal i'w godi am gludo Ci Tywys Note: No Charge shall be made for the carriage of Guide Dogs	£0
6. Baeuddu'r cerbyd <i>Soiling the vehicle</i>	£120
Cyngor Gwynedd Council Swyddfeydd y Cyngor/Council Offices Stryd y Jêl/Shirehall Street Caernarfon Gwynedd LL55 1SH	Dafydd Wyn Williams Pennaeth Adran Amgylchedd/Head of Environment Department Gwasanaeth Gwarchod y Cyhoedd/Public Protection Services

Unrhyw wrthwynebiad i'r bwriad i'w wneud yn ysgrifenedig i Gyngor Gwynedd drwy e bost at trwyddedu@gwynedd.llyw.cymru erbyn **DYDDIAD IW GADARNHAU** (14 diwrnod ar ol cyhoeddiad) . Mae copi o'r rhybudd ar gael yn Swyddfeydd y Cyngor a gwefan y Cyngor www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru.

Any objections to the proposal must be made in writing to Gwynedd Council by e-mail to Licensing@gwynedd.llyw.cymru by the **DATE TO BE CONFIRMED** (14 days after publication). A copy of the notice is available at the Council Offices and the Council website for inspection: www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru.

Oddi wrth: Mark Dunning [REDACTED]

Anfonwyd: Dydd Llun, 9 Mawrth 2026 08:45

At: Rhian Meredith (AMG) <rhianmedimeredith@gwynedd.llyw.cymru>

Pwnc: Increase Needed On Tacsı Fayres

Gwynedd Council

Council Offices

Shirehall Street

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Gwynedd LL55 1SH

To. Tacsı Licensing Department

Re: Request to Review and Increase the Minimum Taxi Fare

I am writing to ask Gwynedd Council to review the current minimum taxi fare of £3.60, which has not been increased for approximately four years. During this period, the cost of operating a taxi has risen significantly, particularly due to increases in petrol prices, vehicle maintenance costs, insurance, and general living expenses.

One of the most significant pressures on taxi drivers is the rising cost of fuel. Over the past four years, petrol prices have fluctuated considerably and at times have reached well over £1.50 per litre, compared with around £1.20 per litre or less several years ago. Even with occasional reductions, the average fuel cost remains substantially higher than when the current minimum fare was set. As fuel is one of the largest operating costs for taxi drivers, this increase has had a direct impact on profitability.

In addition to fuel, other essential expenses have also risen. Insurance premiums for taxi drivers have increased, vehicle servicing and repair costs are higher, and the price of replacement parts and tyres has gone up. Drivers must also meet licensing requirements, vehicle inspections, and other regulatory costs. These unavoidable expenses continue to rise while the minimum fare has remained unchanged.

The current minimum fare of £3.60 no longer reflects the true cost of providing a taxi service. Short journeys in particular often do not adequately cover the driver's costs when fuel, vehicle wear, and time are taken into account. A modest increase in the minimum fare would help ensure that taxi services remain financially viable for drivers while still providing a reliable service for residents and visitors to Gwynedd.

Taxi services play an important role in the local transport network, particularly in rural areas where public transport options may be limited. Ensuring that taxi drivers can operate sustainably will help maintain this essential service for the community.

I would therefore respectfully ask Gwynedd Council to review the current tariff structure and consider increasing the minimum fare to better reflect current operating costs, particularly the increase in fuel prices over the past four years.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request. I hope the council will recognise the financial pressures faced by taxi drivers and take appropriate action to support the sustainability of the local taxi trade.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Dunning @ Buzzy Bee Tacsí

From: Mark Cabs

Sent: Dydd Iau, 12 Mawrth 2026 11:51

To: Trwyddedu <Trwyddedu@gwynedd.llyw.cymru>

Subject: Taxi fare increase

Good morning,

For the attention of Gwynedd Council Licensing dept!! it has now been nearly 7 years (September 2019) since we had an increase on our Taxi meter tariff and life is definitely getting harder for all Taxi drivers with every day living and with the 5% increase every year for Council Tax... Cost of fuel now exceeding extortionate prices on the forecourt!!.. National wage now £12.71 from this year 2026.. I truly think it's about time that we had an increase now to cover the increasingly huge cost that we have to deal with on a daily basis.

Kind regards

Mark

Dear Chris O'Neal,

Thank you for your request and suggestions for tariffs and table of fares changes.

I am advising others in the trade to submit their opinions on this; and I am in agreement that it is timely to review our fares. I have attached above the current table of fares, which did incorporate (or partly incorporate) a few of your recommendations during the last Fares review which was consulted upon and approved by the Committee at the end of 2022.

In our conversation about this over the phone today, I did stress the importance of striking the correct balance between promoting the interests of the taxi trade with protecting the interests of the poorest in Society who may be vulnerable or do not have access to a car and are reliant on taxis for accessing essential Services.

I would welcome any further views from you or other taxi operators, and I have brought the issue of consistency up with my colleagues in the other North Wales Local Authorities.

Sincerely,

Gwenan Mai Roberts

Arweinydd tim Gwarchod y Cyhoedd | Public Protection Team Leader
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Croeso i chi ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg neu'r Saesneg wrth gysylltu efo fi.
You are welcome to contact me in Welsh or English

Oddi wrth: Chris O'Neal

Anfonwyd: Dydd Iau, 12 Mawrth 2026 23:52

At: licensing@anglesey.gov.uk; Trwyddedu <Trwyddedu@gwynedd.llyw.cymru>; Jennifer M. Lewis <JenniferLewis@ynysmon.llyw.cymru>; Gwenan Mai Roberts (AMG) <gwenanmairoberts@gwynedd.llyw.cymru>

Copi/Cc: Dafydd Chubb

Pwnc: proposed tariff changes.

Dear Gwynedd Licensing Department,

Dear Anglesey Licensing Department,

Please accept this letter as a formal proposal to amend the current taxi tariff structure within your respective counties.

The proposed amendments are intended to help alleviate some of the financial pressures currently faced by taxi operators, including increases in licensing fees, fuel costs, insurance,

and general operating expenses. In addition, these revisions would help align the tariff structures across both Gwynedd and Anglesey.

The proposed revised tariffs are outlined below.

Standard Tariff

Oni fydd y pellter cyfan yn fwy nag un filltir

If the distance does not exceed one mile (for the whole distance)

£4.00 (previously £3.60)

Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf

If the distance exceeds one mile – for the first mile

£3.40 (previously £3.00)

Am bob degfed rhan o filltir wedyn neu ran o hynny

For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof

£0.35 (previously £0.30)

Am bob cyfnod o 1 munud neu ran o hynny

For each period of one minute waiting time or part thereof

£0.40 (previously £0.30)

- 1. Am logi'r cerbyd rhwng hanner nos a 7:00y.b. unrhyw ddydd neu ar unrhyw amser ar Wyl y Banc, heblaw am Ddydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan**
For hirings between midnight and 7:00 a.m. on any day, or at any time on Bank Holidays (excluding Christmas Day and New Year's Day)
50% extra (unchanged)
- 2. Dydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan**
Christmas Day and New Year's Day
100% extra (unchanged)
- 3. Am bob cês a bag yn ychwanegol neu un cês a gludir tu allan i'r caban teithwyr**
For each article of luggage in excess of one case conveyed outside the passenger compartment
£0.40 (previously £0.30)
- 4. Am bob person yn fwy nag un, am y cyfan o'r daith**
For each additional passenger beyond one for the whole journey
£0.40 (previously £0.40)
- 5. Am gludo anifeiliaid, h.y. Cwn a Cathod**
Carriage of animals (e.g. dogs and cats)
£1.50 (previously £1.20)

No charge shall be made for the carriage of guide dogs.

6. **Baeuddu'r cerbyd**
Soiling the vehicle
£80.00 (previously £45.00)
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Proposed Tariff for 8-Seater Vehicles

(Applicable only where 6 or more passengers are being conveyed)

Oni fydd y pellter cyfan yn fwy nag un filltir

If the distance does not exceed one mile (for the whole distance)

£6.00

Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf

If the distance exceeds one mile – for the first mile

£4.50

Am bob degfed rhan o filltir wedyn neu ran o hynny

For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof

£0.45

Am bob cyfnod o 1 munud neu ran o hynny

For each period of one minute waiting time or part thereof

£0.50

1. **Am logi'r cerbyd rhwng hanner nos a 7:00y.b. unrhyw ddydd neu ar unrhyw amser ar Wyl y Banc, heblaw am Ddydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan**
For hirings between midnight and 7:00 a.m. on any day, or at any time on Bank Holidays (excluding Christmas Day and New Year's Day)
50% extra
2. **Dydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan**
Christmas Day and New Year's Day
100% extra
3. **Am bob cês a bag yn ychwanegol neu un cês a gludir tu allan i'r caban teithwyr**
For each article of luggage in excess of one case conveyed outside the passenger compartment
£0.50
4. **Am bob person yn fwy nag un, am y cyfan o'r daith**
For each additional passenger beyond one for the whole journey
£0.50
5. **Am gludo anifeiliaid, h.y. Cwn a Cathod**
Carriage of animals (e.g. dogs and cats)
£2.00

No charge shall be made for the carriage of guide dogs.

6. **Baeuddu'r cerbyd**
Soiling the vehicle
£80.00
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We respectfully ask the Licensing Departments to review and consider these proposals. We believe these adjustments would provide necessary support to taxi operators while maintaining fair and consistent tariffs across both counties.

Kind regards,
Christopher J O Neal



CYNGOR GWYNEDD COUNCIL

PRISIAU CLUDO CERBYD HACNI/HACKNEY CARRIAGE FARE 2022

yn weithredol trwy ardal y Cyngor o **17/11/22**
in operation throughout the area of the Council as from the **17/11/22**

Milltiroedd / Mileage	Cost
Oni fydd y pellter cyfan yn fwy nag un filltir <i>If the distance does not exceed one mile for the whole distance</i>	£3.60c/p
Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf <i>If the distance exceeds one mile; for the first mile</i>	£3.00
Am bob degfed rhan o filltir wedyn neu ran o hynny <i>For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or uncompleted part thereof</i>	£0.30c/p
Amser Disgwyl / Waiting Time	
Am bob cyfnod o 1 munud neu ran o hynny <i>For each period of 1 minute or uncompleted part thereof</i>	£0.30c/p
Milltiroedd - bws mini sy'n cario 5 i 8 teithiwr Mileage – Minibus carrying 5 to 8 passengers	
Os yw'r pellter yn fwy nag un filltir; am y filltir cyntaf <i>If the distance exceeds one mile; for the first mile</i>	£3.30
Taliadau Ychwanegol / Extra Charges	
1. Am logi'r cerbyd rhwng hanner nos a 7:00y.b. unrhyw ddydd neu ar unrhyw amser ar Wyl y Banc, heblaw am Ddydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan <i>For hirings between midnight and 7:00a.m. on any day or at any time on Bank Holidays except Christmas Day and New Year's Day</i>	60% o'r cyfradd dal uchod 60% of the above rates
2. Dydd Nadolig a Dydd Calan <i>Christmas Day and New Year's Day</i>	100% o'r cyfradd dal uchod 100% of the above rates
3. Am bob cês a bag yn ychwanegol or un cês a gludir to allan i'r caban teithiwr <i>For each article of luggage in excess of one case conveyed outside the passenger compartment of the carriage</i>	£0.50c/p
4. Am bob person yn fwy nag un, am y cyfan o'r daith <i>For each person in excess of one of the whole journey</i>	£0.40c/p
5. Am gludo anifeiliaid, h.y. Cwn a Cathod <i>Carriage of animals, i.e. Dogs and Cats</i>	£1.20c/p
Nodir: Fod dim tal i'w godi am gludo Ci Tywys Note: No Charge shall be made for the carriage of Guide Dogs	£0
6. Baeuddu'r cerbyd <i>Soiling the vehicle</i>	£120
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