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Hello

Thank you for inviting me to comment.

I will try to provide a balanced view and recommendations for the Panel to consider.

I will also try to attend the meeting if invited to answer any questions.

Our previous increase was in 2016, inflation was at approx 1%, fuel prices were at £1.07 ave.

2019/20 saw the industry reduce by nearly 50% with little or no growth in 2021.

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the self employed drivers were able to tap into government grants but [REDACTED] had no money available to it from any government scheme.

School contracts were paid at 75% of value and with Lockdown little or no work was available for all the trade.

Since Lockdown restrictions have been lifted the trade has picked up and weekends are at about 75% of expected turnover based on previous years.

our phone work has reduced by 75% through the day and we are having to reduce prices for contracts to secure work.

Currently fuel is at £1.75 ave and inflation is at 7% rising to 8% next year then to 1.5% in 2023.

Vehicle parts are more expensive and also longer lead times meaning cars of the road longer or waiting repair.

as things settle back to normal my view is that the trade will take a long time to recover and probably wont go back to the levels pre-Pandemic. This will also have a financial impact on the council in what ever form it takes in the near future due to loss of revenue.