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To whom it may concern,

I believe that Allerdale should increase the Hackney Carriage Tariffs, as they have not been increased since 2018.

In the last four years;

The cost of fuel increased significantly.

The cost of utility bills has increased.

The cost of tyres has gone up.

Mechanics have increased their charges as the cost of parts has gone up.

Allerdale has increased their charges for licenses and testing.

The national living wage has increased from £7.83 to £9.50, an increase of £1.67 per hour. (Which for us means our employees are earning more per hour than we do and our expenditure outways our income).

Basically, the cost of everything has gone up since 2018. But, taxi fares have been frozen. How would Allerdale employees feel if their wages had been frozen in 2018 and not increased in line with inflation??

All of the above has led to us losing a lot of our drivers. It is no longer financially viable for them to work as a self employed Hackney Carriage Driver within Allerdale.

Allerdale Borough Council let Hackney Carriage Drivers down during the pandemic. When other Borough Councils were giving out financial aid/one of payments, taxi drivers in Allerdale received NOTHING!!!

Our fellow taxi drivers in Eden have just received a 20% increase on their tariffs. Councils throughout the country have already increased their tariffs. Once again, Allerdale is letting down its taxi drivers!!

Allerdale needs to take action NOW and increase the fares.

Regards

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