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South Somerset District Council

Private Hire Licensing Department

12th November 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to take the option of appearing in front of the Licencing Committee for the reasons set out below.

My present vehicle is due to be plated before the 29th November 2022 but I had to make a very important decision of using my life savings to update the old vehicle with a newer model before doing so.

After months of searching a suitable car became available, the decision was made to replace my old car for a much newer model. After submitting all my paperwork for my new private hire vehicle I was devastated and shocked to be told that the vehicle requested to be licenced was turned down.

The reason being that the new car is euro 5 rating not euro 6, I had never been informed of this new requirement and did not know that it existed. Due to my ignorance of this policy I am told that I can renew the plating on my existing car but not on the new one.

Please could you consider departing from the councils policy to enable me to license my new vehicle before 29th Nov as the consequence's of not doing so would mean that I have to sell the new car at a very significant loss of money that i could not afford to lose, because of the loss I could not afford another car with euro 6 rating.

This leaves me in a very vulnerable position, I can go ahead and re license my old exisiting vehicle so that I can continue to work, but the new vehicle has to be sold, I am unable to get my head round the position I am in and would very much appreciate your help in this matter by allowing me to re-plate my new car.

Kind Regards [REDACTED]