

Consultation period: 26th November 2012 to 22nd February 2013
Responses: 14

Driver Badge Duration

All 14 responders said "I prefer a 3 year licence"

Additional comments received

- "To include drivers who require a new licence yearly because of age to only need a medical yearly"
- "I think a 3 year licence is more better than a 1 year as I think most drivers would prefer this"
- * "For those who have renewed in the past (say 6 months) will they have a licence amended if a change is agreed or will they just re-apply next year" *

Direct DVLC Licence Check

3 responders agreed to this proposal
2 responders made comments

9 responders made no comment

Additional comments received

- "Would this procedure incur further fees for the driver? Costs are already high to be licensed due to other checks for drivers & vehicles"
- "Will there be further costs if using a private company to do these searches?"

Statutory Declaration

5 responders agreed to this proposal
2 responders made comments

7 responders made no comment

Additional comments received

- "Which procedure would be most cost effective to the driver & subsequently, the public?"
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Phased Adoption

2 responders agreed to this proposal
4 responders made comments

8 responders made no comment

Additional comments received

- "Has the Council took into consideration how this will affect drivers who are required to have yearly medicals due to a medical condition, can a 3 year licence be offered with yearly medicals being sent in as currently required?"
- "I prefer a 3 year licence"
- * "See comment under the heading of driver badge duration" *
- "Will CRB & licence run concurrently?"

Petition

In addition to the above responses, a petition was received from the Rossendale Taxi Association:

"The request of the petition is that the committee withdraw the current consultation and decide to either implement a 3 year badge with immediate effect or to abide by its original decision to implement a 2 year badge without any further delay pending the results of a newly constructed consultation which should include the input of the trade liaison group and then take no longer than the usual consultation period of 28 days"