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THE TAXI RANK AT KAY STREET RAWTENSTALL HAS GREAT POTENTIAL BUT IS WELL UNDER USED.

ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS IT IS UNDER USED IS BECAUSE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES PARK IN THE DESIGNATED AREA AND IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GAIN ACCESS. SECONDLY THE SIGNAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS ARE INADIQUATE.

MY DRIVERS HAVE TRIED TO GET THE RANK IN KAY STREET MOVING RECENTLEY WITH REASONABLE SUCCESS, HACKNEYING FARES TO ROCHDALE, ACCRINGTON, BURY AND VARIOUS LOCAL DESTINATIONS. WHEN WE TRY TO GET BACK ON THE RANK AVEHICLE WILL HAVE FILLED THE SPACE WE HAVE LEFT AND WE HAVE TO GIVE UP BECAUSE WE HAVE NO WHERE ELSE TO RANK UP.

IF THE MARKINGS AND THE SIGNAGE ARE IMPROVED AND THE SUPPORT OF HE TRAFFIC WARDENS AND OTHER LOCAL LISENCED DRIVERS AND VEHICLES WHO SIT INTHERE OFFICES AND COMPLAIN OF THE LACK OF TRADE WAITING FOR THE WORK TO COME TO THEM. GIVEN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME THE PUBLIC WILL REALIZE THAT IT IS AN OPERATIONAL RANK.

WHEN WE STARTED WORKING THE LOWER DEARDENGATE RANK IN HASLINGDEN IT TOOK US ABOUT 12 WEEKS OF PERSIVERANCE THEN WHEN OTHER DRIVERS REALIZED THE VOUME OF WORK WE WERE GETTING OFF THE RANK IT IS NOW WELL USED BY ALL COMPANIES AND INDEPENDENT DRIVERS.