

Report To: GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD **Date:** 11 August 2011
Report By: HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES **Report No:** LA/723/11
Contact Officer: LINDSAY CARRICK **Contact No:** 01475 712114
Subject: TAXI FARES REVIEW 2011

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the views of the Board on the annual review of taxi fare scales for the purposes of public advertisement as the first formal stage of the statutory process.
- 1.2 The informal consultation process for this year's review of the taxi fares has been commenced and the Operators Liaison Group and other members of the trade have been invited to submit their view of the level of taxi fares so that any revision of the fare scales will be implemented in November.

2.0 EXISTING FARE SCALES AND CHARGES

- 2.1 Appendix 1 to this report details the current fare scales which have been in force in Inverclyde since November 2010. **APPENDIX 1**

3.0 RESPONSE BY TAXI TRADE

- 3.1 The taxi trade were invited to submit their views on the taxi fare scales and a copy of a letter of response received from Inverclyde Taxis Ltd setting their submission in detail and their justification for it forms Appendix 2 to this report. **APPENDIX 2**

- 3.2 The submissions for change to the tariff scales are:

- (i) Tariff 1 – increase initial charge to £2.40 and 9.2% on subsequent charge
- (ii) Tariff 2 – increase initial charge to £2.50 and 9.2% on subsequent charge
- (iii) Tariff 3 – increase initial charge to £2.70 and 9.2% on subsequent charge
- (iv) Tariff 4 – initial charge to remain the same and 9.2% increase to additional
- (v) charges
- (v) Minimum charge of £5.00 on 26 December and 2 January
- (vi) £1.00 charge per passenger after the first 4 passengers

- 3.3 I attach as Appendix 3 to this report the taxi fare scales in outline which would apply if the proposals described above were adopted provisionally for the purposes of advertisement. **APPENDIX 3**

4.0 COMMENT ON THE PROPOSALS FROM THE TRADE

- 4.1 Following consultation with the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services, whose functions include vehicle testing and inspection, he has commented that collectively the groups have cited increased running and living costs since the last fare increase in

November 2010 as justification for their proposals to be considered, he can confirm that the fuel costs for diesel has risen by approximately 14% inclusive of VAT rise, if comparing November 2010 prices with June 2011 prices (AA Fuel Price Report), but that is simply a snapshot of prices at two fixed periods in time. Fuel prices have fluctuated greatly over this period and the Head of Environmental & Commercial Services is of the opinion that a more realistic indicator to use would be the Consumer Price Index (CPI) which takes into account all the areas highlighted as inflationary pressures by the groups.

The CPI is the measure adopted by the Government for its UK inflation target. Over the one year period from June 2010 to June 2011 the average annual inflation rate has been 4.2%.

The Head of Environmental & Commercial Services is of the opinion that any tariff increase applied should be no higher than the average CPI inflation figure, but consideration should also be given to the fact that these are difficult economic times for all sectors of the community which form the customer base for the taxi industry, and the tariff increase should reflect these circumstances. He feels the most uniformed way to apply any increase agreed would be calculated by reducing the yardage on both the initial charge and the subsequent charge by the agreed percentage. This would ensure customers taking short journeys are not penalised by a proportionally higher initial charge.

The Head of Environmental Services & Commercial has commented that the annual tariff review should not be used as a mechanism to bolster reduced income from declining job volumes.

The Head of Environmental & Commercial Services has been in support of the additional passenger charge for the past three years, he believes that the proposal to introduce a £1.00 charge (per person) for extra passengers above four in multi purpose vehicles would be a positive step. It would be an incentive for operators to invest in multi-purpose vehicles, the majority of which are disables access. Until the recent introduction of vehicles licensed for more than four passengers, parties of more than four had no choice other than to hire two vehicles. The proposal seems reasonable taking into account the considerable investment required to purchase this type of vehicle

- 4.2 Appendix 4 to this report details the fare scales which would apply if the proposals submitted by The Head of Environmental & Commercial Services were adopted.

**APPENDIX
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5.0 CONCLUSION

- 5.1 That the Board consider the proposals for the review of taxi fares and charges and remit it to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to advertise the proposals they determine and report on the outcome once the statutory period for representations has lapsed.

Lindsay Carrick
Legal & Democratic Services

Inverclyde Council

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

NOTE OF TARIFF

TARIFF 1	Hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings begun between 6am and 11pm	
	Initial charge (1,048 yards or part thereof)	£2.20
	Subsequent charge (each additional 130 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£2.80
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.40
TARIFF 2	Hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and all pre-booked hirings begun between 6am and 11pm	
	Initial charge (1,017 yards or part thereof)	£2.30
	Subsequent charge (each additional 127 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£2.90
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.40
TARIFF 3	Pre-booked hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings 26 December, 2 January, 11 April (Spring holiday), 2 May (May Day), 2 July (Fair Saturday) and 5 September (Autumn holiday)	
	Initial charge (1,017 yards or part thereof)	£2.50
	Subsequent charge (each additional 113 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£3.20
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.60
TARIFF 4	Pre-booked hirings and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings on 25 December and 1 January.	
	Initial charge (first mile or part thereof)	£5.00
	Subsequent charge (each additional 113 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£5.00
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.60
WAITING TIME	For each period of 31 seconds or part thereof	20p
SOILING CHARGE	Charge dependent on severity up to a maximum of	£50.00
VAT	The foregoing charges are inclusive of Value Added Tax	

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22nd June 2011

Dear Ms Lindsay,

Re: Taxi Fare Review 2011

In answer to your correspondence dated 1st June 2011, I have much pleasure in responding accordingly on behalf of the Inverclyde Taxis Ltd, ABC Taxis (Inverclyde) Ltd and associated Operators Liaison Group (hereinafter called ITL, ABC and OLG respectively) regarding the proposed Taxi Fare Review 2011.

Commercially, market forces (i.e. the purchase of vehicles has increased significantly since the last fare increase on 14th November 2010 (+**12.45%**), increased fuel (+**13.86%**), VAT (+**2.5%**), insurance (+**35.71%**), food (**average +13.3%**), utilities (+**19% & +10% respectively**) & maintenance / repair costs / tyres (**average +13.4%**), credit restrictions, etc) are dictating disturbing trends, which has resulted in a significant increase in an operators cost per mile, particularly WAV's, whilst job volumes corroborate other public transport trends with declining numbers.

ITL, ABC and OLG remain extremely conscious and mindful of the current challenging times being experienced by all sectors of the community, including the taxi trade, and confirm the overwhelming consensus amongst operators and drivers alike is that the trade would welcome full endorsement for the following proposals by the General Purposes Board.

We, ITL, ABC and OLG would therefore respectively request that the General Purposes Board give due consideration and endorse the following proposals: -

1. Tariff 1 – flag fall to go up to £2.40, and propose a 9.2% increase after 1,048 yards.
2. Tariff 2 – flag fall to go up to £2.50, and propose a 9.2% increase after 1,017 yards.
3. Tariff 3 – flag fall to go up to £2.70, and propose a 9.2% increase after 1,017 yards.
4. Tariff 4 – flag fall to remain at £5.00, and propose a 9.2% increase to additional charges
5. We are in no doubt the General Purposes Board would acknowledge that operators / drivers do incur a high portion of unsocial hours by having to work weekends and public holidays, and would therefore ask the Board members to endorse a minimum charge on 26th December and 2nd January of £5.00.

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6. We would also request that the General Purposes Board give due consideration to introducing a tariff change by including extra's for passengers above the first 4 to £1.00 per passenger, as this is intended to ensure the availability of Multi Purpose Vehicles, whilst meeting the diverse demands of the general public, particularly on evenings and weekends.

Should the GPB members endorse the above proposal, we collectively believe this would impact positively on operators investing in Multi Purpose Vehicles, such as the Peugeot E7, etc, which ultimately enhances service delivery across all sectors of the community. It should also be acknowledged by the GPB members that the fuel cost alone to operate WAV / MPV's is between 40% / 50% higher than that to operate a standard Skoda Octavia.

Early indications from respected economists is that the UK is likely to experience further economic turbulence, resulting in further increases in the cost of vehicles, fuel, insurance premiums, maintenance, etc, hence we would respectfully request that GPB give due consideration to endorsing a mid-term fare review should the economic climate have a significant detrimental impact on operating costs.

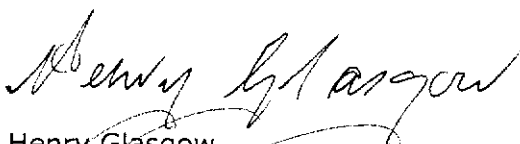
Furthermore, we would also request that Inverclyde Council and GPB members give due consideration to refraining from implementing the second Council increase of 30% to Council Charges until 2013, bearing in mind, the diminishing job volumes, employment opportunities and declining disposable income available in Inverclyde. The reason for requesting a one year amnesty is that the Council increase of 60% over circa 13 months has had a detrimental impact on the trade as a whole. We would also respectfully request that the GPB members consider applying a discount structure to Taxi / Private Hire Fees for payment in advance (e.g. 2-years fees paid in advance subject to an agreed discount structure), which would ease the administration burden on Inverclyde Council resources as well as operators.

You will no doubt acknowledge our submission is accruing for the many factors, whilst also attempting to sustain a credible income for operators and drivers.

Should you require any additional information or clarification on any point, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Assuring you of our best attention at all times.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of Inverclyde Taxis Ltd



Henry Glasgow
Managing Director

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Fuel Price Report

June 2011



FUEL PRICE REPORT JUNE 2011

Petrol and diesel prices are back on the rise after a break that lasted less than a month. They hit a low of 135.75p a litre for petrol and 139.34 for diesel, both on 5 June, before resuming their upward trend. Barrel price is \$112.

Unleaded prices have fallen by 0.8ppl from 136.9ppl to 136.1ppl. Diesel prices have fallen, by 1.7ppl, from 141.5ppl to 139.8ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen to 3.7ppl.

Northern Ireland recorded the highest price for unleaded at 137.4ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 135.4ppl. Scotland recorded the highest diesel price at 140.5ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside have the cheapest diesel at 138.9ppl.

Supermarket prices for unleaded remained unchanged over the month at 134.6ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for unleaded has fallen to 1.5ppl.

The UK has the twelfth highest unleaded price in Europe and the second highest diesel price.

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane (pence)		Diesel (pence)		Super Unleaded (pence)		LPG (pence)
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
Northern Ireland	137.4	624.6	140.3	637.82	145.3	660.5	N/A
Scotland	136.3	619.6	140.5	638.73	142.5	647.8	70.6
Wales	136.3	619.6	139.8	635.54	143.0	650.1	71.2
North	135.8	617.4	139.6	634.63	145.3	660.5	76.1
North West	135.6	616.4	139.2	632.82	144.1	655.1	76.1
Yorkshire & Humberside	135.4	615.5	138.9	631.45	143.1	650.5	75.0
West Midlands	136.0	618.3	139.5	634.18	143.6	652.8	77.7
East Midlands	135.7	616.9	139.3	633.27	142.6	648.3	78.3
East Anglia	136.4	620.1	140.2	637.36	143.4	651.9	77.4
South East	136.5	620.5	140.3	637.82	143.6	652.8	79.0
South West	136.2	619.2	140.0	636.45	142.3	646.9	76.2
London	136.1	618.7	139.9	636.00	143.7	653.3	78.2
UK AVERAGE	136.1	618.7	139.8	635.54	143.4	651.9	77.0
Per cent taken as Tax		59.2		58.12		57.1	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	134.6	611.9	137.8	626.5	139.3	633.3	72.2
Per cent taken as Tax		59.7		58.72		58.3	

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Experian Catalist (www.catalist.com)
They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions.

Fuel Price Report

November 2010



FUEL PRICE REPORT NOVEMBER 2010

Average diesel prices have returned to the 2010 peak of 123p a litre, last seen in May. Petrol prices have continued to rise, but a stronger pound has so far shielded drivers from the full impact of oil prices that have reached a two-year high. Brent crude - \$85 a barrel.

Unleaded prices have risen by 1.4ppl from 117.7ppl to 119.1ppl. Diesel prices have also risen, by 1.7ppl, from 121.3ppl to 123.0ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has risen to 3.9ppl.

London and Northern Ireland recorded the highest price for unleaded at 119.7ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 118.2ppl. Wales and Northern Ireland recorded the highest diesel price at 123.6ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside have the cheapest diesel at 122.3ppl.

Supermarket prices for unleaded also rose over the month by 1.7ppl to 117.5ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for unleaded has fallen to 1.6ppl.

The UK has the eighth highest unleaded price in Europe and the second highest diesel price.

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane (pence)		Diesel (pence)		Super Unleaded (pence)		LPG (pence)
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
Northern Ireland	119.7	544.2	123.6	561.90	126.4	574.6	N/A
Scotland	118.6	539.2	123.4	560.99	124.9	567.8	63.1
Wales	119.4	542.8	123.6	561.90	125.2	569.2	61.9
North	118.4	538.3	122.6	557.35	125.9	572.4	62.6
North West	118.7	539.6	122.7	557.81	126.9	576.9	63.2
Yorkshire & Humberside	118.2	537.3	122.3	555.99	125.9	572.4	61.7
West Midlands	119.0	541.0	122.9	558.71	126.6	575.5	66.7
East Midlands	118.9	540.5	122.7	557.81	125.8	571.9	66.3
East Anglia	119.1	541.4	123.0	559.17	126.3	574.2	67.9
South East	119.6	543.7	123.2	560.08	126.5	575.1	68.8
South West	119.3	542.3	123.3	560.53	126.0	572.8	66.9
London	119.7	544.2	122.7	557.81	127.0	577.4	68.3
UK AVERAGE	119.1	541.4	123.0	559.17	126.3	574.2	66.4
Per cent taken as Tax		63.7		62.20		61.0	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	117.5	534.2	121.0	550.1	122.3	556.0	61.8
Per cent taken as Tax		64.4		62.98		62.5	

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They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions.

Fuel Price Report

November 2009



FUEL PRICE REPORT NOVEMBER 2009

The average cost of diesel has risen to more than £5 a gallon as UK pump prices reach levels never seen before at this time of year. Fuel prices in the US have fallen over the past fortnight and there is hope that a similar downturn may provide some relief for drivers preparing for Christmas. The price of Brent Crude is \$77.

Unleaded prices have risen by 3.6ppl from 105.1ppl to 108.7ppl. Diesel prices have also risen, by 3.8ppl, from 106.2ppl to 110.0ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has risen from 1.1ppl to 1.3ppl.

Northern Ireland recorded the highest price for unleaded at 109.4 ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 107.8ppl. Northern Ireland also recorded the highest diesel price at 110.8ppl. The North West and Yorkshire and Humberside have the cheapest diesel at 109.1ppl.

Supermarket prices for unleaded rose over the month by 4.3ppl to 107.6ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for unleaded has risen to 1.1ppl.

Overseas prices have also risen. The UK has the tenth highest unleaded price in Europe and the second highest diesel price.

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane (pence)		Diesel (pence)		Super Unleaded (pence)		LPG (pence)
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
Northern Ireland	109.4	497.3	110.8	503.71	116.9	531.4	N/A
Scotland	108.2	491.9	110.5	501.89	114.7	521.4	54.3
Wales	108.8	494.6	110.2	500.98	113.7	516.9	53.5
North	108.3	492.3	109.7	498.71	116.3	528.7	54.5
North West	107.9	490.5	109.1	495.98	115.7	526.0	55.2
Yorkshire & Humberside	107.8	490.1	109.1	495.98	114.9	522.3	53.7
West Midlands	108.7	494.2	109.8	499.16	116.0	527.3	56.6
East Midlands	108.6	493.7	109.9	499.62	115.9	526.9	56.7
East Anglia	109.0	495.5	110.2	500.98	115.3	524.2	56.4
South East	109.1	496.0	110.2	500.98	115.5	525.1	57.7
South West	109.0	495.5	110.4	501.89	115.3	524.2	55.2
London	109.3	496.9	110.1	500.52	115.7	526.0	57.5
UK AVERAGE	108.7	494.2	110.0	500.07	115.5	525.1	56.3
Per cent taken as Tax		64.7		64.12		61.7	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	107.6	489.2	108.6	493.7	112.5	511.4	53.3
Per cent taken as Tax		65.3		64.78		63.0	

The AA Public Affairs Fuel Price Report uses data sourced from Experian Catalist (www.catalist.com)
They are an average of mid-month prices from the respective regions

FUEL PRICE REPORT NOVEMBER 2008

Petrol prices have fallen by their biggest ever amount over a month, dropping 11.54 pence per litre since mid October. Now at 94.9 pence per litre, the price fall easily exceeds the previous record drop of 7.9 pence per litre drop, following the conflict in Lebanon in August 2006. The price of a barrel of crude oil fell to \$50.67 a barrel.

Diesel prices have fallen by 8.9ppl to 108.8ppl. The price difference between unleaded and diesel has fallen risen from 11.3ppl to 13.9ppl

London recorded the highest price for unleaded at 95.8ppl followed by Northern Ireland at 95.5ppl. The North West and Yorkshire and Humberside recorded the lowest price for unleaded at 94.2ppl. Scotland recorded the highest diesel price at 109.4ppl. Yorkshire and Humberside has the cheapest diesel at 108.2ppl.

Supermarket prices for unleaded also fell over the month by 10.8ppl to 93.4ppl. The gap between supermarket prices and the UK average for unleaded has fallen to 1.5ppl.

Overseas prices have also fallen. The UK has the fourteenth highest unleaded price in Europe and the second highest diesel price.

Garages and Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane (pence)		Diesel (pence)		Super Unleaded (pence)		LPG (pence)
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
Northern Ireland	95.5	434.2	109.1	495.98	100.6	457.3	N/A
Scotland	94.5	429.6	109.4	497.34	100.6	457.3	53.6
Wales	95.1	432.3	109.2	496.43	100.5	456.9	52.2
North	94.6	430.1	108.8	494.61	103.4	470.1	53.8
North West	94.2	428.2	108.3	492.34	101.4	461.0	51.5
Yorkshire & Humberside	94.2	428.2	108.2	491.89	101.2	460.1	51.8
West Midlands	94.7	430.5	108.7	494.16	102.1	464.2	54.5
East Midlands	94.6	430.1	108.6	493.71	102.5	466.0	52.2
East Anglia	95	431.9	109.1	495.98	101.9	463.2	54.3
South East	95.3	433.2	108.9	495.07	102	463.7	54.3
South West	94.9	431.4	109	495.52	102.1	464.2	56.6
London	95.8	435.5	109	495.52	102.5	466.0	54.4
UK AVERAGE	94.9	431.4	108.8	494.61	102.0	463.7	53.8
Per cent taken as Tax		67.9		61.17		64.3	

Supermarkets	Unleaded 95 Octane		Diesel		Super unleaded		LPG
	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	litres	(gallons)	
SUPERMARKET AVERAGE	93.4	424.6	107.4	488.3	98.4	447.3	50.7
Per cent taken as Tax		68.8		61.77		66.1	

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INVERCLYDE TAXIS, ABC TAXIS and OPERATORS LIASION GROUP PROPOSALS 2011

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	Approximate cost for first mile	£3.00
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.50
TARIFF 2	Hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and all pre-booked hirings begun between 6am and 11pm	
	Initial charge (1,017 yards or part thereof)	£2.50
	Subsequent charge (each additional 115 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£3.10
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.50
TARIFF 3	Pre-booked hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings 26 December, 2 January, 23 April (Spring holiday), 7 May (May Day), 30 June (Fair Saturday) and 3 September (Autumn holiday)	
	Initial charge (1,017 yards or part thereof)	£2.70
	Subsequent charge (each additional 103 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£3.40
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.70
TARIFF 4	Pre-booked hirings and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings on 25 & 26 December and 1 and 2 January.	
	Initial charge (first mile or part thereof)	£5.00
	Subsequent charge (each additional 103 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£5.00
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.70
EXTRAS	£1 per passenger after first four passengers	
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**ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES
PROPOSALS 2011**

TARIFF 1	Hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings begun between 6am and 11pm	
	Initial charge (1,004 yards or part thereof)	£2.20
	Subsequent charge (each additional 125 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£2.80
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.40
TARIFF 2	Hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and all pre-booked hirings begun between 6am and 11pm	
	Initial charge (974 yards or part thereof)	£2.30
	Subsequent charge (each additional 122 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£2.90
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.40
TARIFF 3	Pre-booked hirings begun between 11pm and 6am and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings 26 December, 2 January, 23 April (Spring holiday), 7 May (May Day), 30 June (Fair Saturday) and 3 September (Autumn holiday)	
	Initial charge (974 yards or part thereof)	£2.50
	Subsequent charge (each additional 108 yards or part thereof)	10p
	Approximate cost for first mile	£3.20
	Approximate cost for each additional mile	£1.60
TARIFF 4	Pre-booked hirings and hirings from ranks or 'flag' hirings on 25 December and 1 January.	
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