

**REPORT FROM: PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING SERVICES MANAGER**

**TO: NELSON COMMITTEE**

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**AMENDMENT TO THE HACKNEY CARRIAGE RANK ON  
MANCHESTER ROAD NELSON**

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To consider an amendment to the existing Manchester Road hackney carriage rank to make it into a 24 hour rank.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager be authorised to advertise the amendment to the existing waiting times to a twenty four hour rank as set out on the attached plans.
- (2) If no representation is made from the public, Police or Highway Authority the waiting times be amended.

**REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) To provide additional day time town centre taxi ranks in response to a request from the taxi trade.

**ISSUE**

1. A meeting took place with representatives from the hackney carriage trade to discuss the Council providing extra hackney carriage ranks in the town centre as it was felt that the interchange rank was too far away to cater for all customers especially if they had heavy shopping or struggled walking.
2. A request was made to change the Manchester Road taxi rank into a twenty four rank. The rank currently operates from 6.00pm to 1.00am.

3. Lancashire County Council has discussed the proposed amendment at their recent Traffic Liaison meeting and has no objections to the proposal.
4. The attached plan outlines the location of the rank.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

**Policy:** None arising directly from the report

**Financial:** The costs of advertising and signage will met from the hackney carriage licence fees.

**Legal:** A public notice must be placed in at least one local newspaper and any objections or representation must be made with 28 days.

**Risk Management:** None arising directly from the report

**Health and Safety:** None arising directly from the report

**Sustainability:** None arising directly from the report

**Community Safety:** None arising directly from the report

**Equality and Diversity:** None arising directly from the report