

REPORT FROM: PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING SERVICES MANAGER

TO: COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE

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**RHYTHM AND BLUES FESTIVAL
PROVISION OF TEMPORARY TAXI RANKS**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To report on arrangements being made for hackney carriage and private hire vehicles for the Rhythm and Blues Festival and to consider providing a temporary rank on Bridge Street, Colne.

RECOMMENDATION

- (1) That the use of the Bus Station and the private hire pick-up point be noted.
- (2) That the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Manager be authorised to advertise the making of a temporary rank on Bridge Street, Colne as set out on the attached plan from 9.00am Friday 24th August to 1.00am Tuesday 28th August 2018 and if no representation is made from the public, Police or Highway Authority the rank be implemented for that period only.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

To provide a temporary ranks and collection points during the Rhythm and Blues Festival due to the temporary closure of taxi ranks on Albert Road and Market Street.

ISSUES

1. On the weekend of the Rhythm and Blues Festival there will be a road closure in place on Albert Road from its junction with Bridge Street right up to the Keighley Road junction.
2. To enable members of the public to book or hail a taxi it is proposed to provide a temporary rank on Bridge Street; ask the County Council if the hackney carriages can use the bus station whilst it is closed on the Saturday and Sunday and to ask private hire operators to collect their passengers from the railway station car park so as to avoid congestion at the bottom of Albert Road.

3. The hackney carriage association has been consulted and is in agreement to the location of the Bridge Street rank.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy:

None arising directly from the report

Financial:

Costs will be met from the taxi licensing budget for the costs of advertising the rank.

Legal:

None arising directly from the report

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:

To ensure members of the public have accessible and safe places to hire hackney carriages

Equality and Diversity: None arising directly from the report

APPENDICES - location plan of the hackney carriage rank

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS None