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CHILTERN AND SOUTH BUCKS DISTRICT COUNCILS

Date: 04/05/2017
e-mail:
For the attention of: Doug Paulley
Our Ref: FOI 16190

Dear Sir

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Further to our acknowledgement to your email requesting information under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we are providing you with our response.

REQUEST

Freedom of Information request - Lists of Accessible Taxis under S167 Equality Act 2010
Dear Chiltern District Council, 1) Please advise if you have produced, or currently intend to produce, a list of wheelchair accessible: a) taxis and b) private hire vehicles under the powers set out in S167 of the Equality Act 2010. 2) Please identify how many a) taxi and b) PHV drivers have applied for medical / physical impairment exemption under S166 of the Equality Act 2010 since S166 was commenced. If you've created a list under S167, please identify how many of the exemptions were in place before S167 and how many have been put in since. 3) Please state whether you voluntarily compiled a list of accessible taxis and private hire vehicles following the Department for Transport's guidance of 15th September 2010, which stated, in relation to section 167, "although the list of designated vehicles will have no actual effect in law until the duties are commenced, we would urge licensing authorities to start maintaining a list as soon as possible for the purpose of liaising with the trade and issuing exemption certificates". If you did produce such a voluntary list, please indicate when you did so, and provide the current list. If you have produced a list of wheelchair accessible taxis and/or private hire vehicles under S167, or are going to, please tell me the following. 4) The date the list was instated or by which you intend to do so. 5) The accessibility requirements of a taxi for it to appear on the list. 6) How you intend to enforce drivers' compliance with S165. 7) The list. Yours faithfully, Doug Paulley

RESPONSE

Please refer to the attached document.

We hope this answers your questions, but if not, you can contact us (details below) with your query quoting the FOI number at the top of this page. You can also seek an internal review of your request if you remain unhappy with the outcome. Ultimately you can complain to the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF should you remain dissatisfied, having exhausted the authority's internal review procedures. If you would like more information about the role and work of the Information Commissioner go to the website www.ico.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

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