| 0%       | 5%       | 10%      |
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| 2 (4%)   | 23 (49%) | 22 (47%) |
| Comments |          |          |

Fuel will be increasing to over £2 a litre the trade has lost over the covid 19 and trade is now improvising but with the fuel increase and insurance more ever increasing

I believe the next increase should be 10% due to the exorbitant price of fuel.

Also the last increase would have been implemented back in 2020 had Covid not decimated the trade.

I think a 10% increase is the very minimum we need to be increasing the tariffs by. The cost of fuel being the main reason.

I'm not sure if anyone has reviewed the average income of a taxi driver in West Berkshire in 2022 compared with, say 2000, but I suspect incomes have fallen dramatically.

I can no longer afford to work as a taxi driver and will be exiting the trade soon. I will have to find something that pays better. And that shouldn't be difficult

I feel we will deter people from using taxis if the price goes up so soon after the last increase.

I would like to see a 5% increase immediately please.

Thanks for cooperation. I am agreed with your decision. As the fuel prices goes up.

Going forwards may be time to not set tariff's, allow the trade to set their own, Council to be advised of tariffs used, by company Operator. This works locally in South Oxfordshire

How can everybody afford all these rises . We don't won't to drive them away from using taxi and phv but the fuel is to dear thanks we have to make a living

I would like to suggest at looking at a min fee of £5.50 for the first mile, as 9 out of 10 passengers now pay with card, with us losing the 2% that we get charged for each transaction,

As fuel now approaches 20% of my takings (from 11% in 2019) I feel that we have to have an increase to continue to make our businesses viable. This may well be temporary but we need more regular reviews linked to the cost of living. The increase in January was the first in 7 years, this should not be allowed to happen again

Personally as I think as the current rate of inflation is now around 10%, I should like to see a minimum increase of 5%. This is purely to not off put regulars from using taxis in and around west Berkshire! I think 10% would be a to larger increase and would put off our regular users.

However, it should be noted, that today I filled up my vehicle at 204.9 for Diesel, where 6 months ago it was £1.43 a litre, almost a 50% increase!!

Therefore I feel that 5% is more than justifiable and to be honest quite reasonable.

Adoption should be delayed until the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy has been adopted. This proposal, based on fuel prices, does not support the Council's Climate Change policies. Current fuel prices are an incentive to switch to electric and hybrid vehicles and increasing the fares will not encourage the trade to make the change. It also does not help to support those vehicle owners that have purchased the electric vehicles.