

Outlining the effects of GM Clean Air Plan and GM Minimum Licensing Standards on licensed vehicles – Rochdale

Average/Most Common Vehicle in Each District (incl. Age)				
District	Private Hire Vehicle		Hackney Carriage	
	Make/Model	Year	Make/Model	Year
Rochdale	Toyota Avensis	2005	Toyota Prius	2008

Scenario One – Rochdale

Silver 2005 Toyota Avensis diesel, licensed with Rochdale Council as a Private Hire Vehicle (PHV).

Clean Air Zone

As the vehicle has a Euro Three Diesel engine, it would not comply with the proposed Clean Air Zone due for introduction in Spring 2022, and would therefore be charged £7.50 each day it was used. A discounted charge of 5 out of 7 days per week for vehicles licensed by Greater Manchester local authorities and also used as a private car is proposed.

Minimum Licensing Standards

As the vehicle is registered in 2005, and is over 10 years old, it would not comply with the proposed Minimum Licensing Standards and therefore could not be relicensed after April 2023. A MLS compliant, white replacement vehicle would need to be obtained.

Financial Support

Under the Clean Air Zone programme, subject to the award of government funding, it is proposed that financial support may be available to assist in obtaining a replacement compliant vehicle, including either:

- A £1,000 grant or vehicle finance contribution towards a replacement compliant petrol or diesel vehicle is available;
- A £2,000 grant or vehicle finance contribution towards replacement to a hybrid or plug-in hybrid; or
- A £2,500 running costs grant for replacement with a zero emissions capable vehicle.

Scenario Two – Rochdale

White 2008 non-wheelchair accessible Toyota Prius, licensed as a Hackney Carriage with Rochdale Council.

Clean Air Zone

As it is a Hybrid Electric vehicle, and therefore a Euro VI engine, it is compliant with the proposed Clean Air Zone and will not be charged.

Licensing Standards

As the vehicle is registered in 2008 it does not comply with the age requirements under MLS. Also MLS requires all hackney carriages to be wheelchair accessible. Therefore a black, compliant, and wheelchair accessible vehicle must be obtained to secure a hackney licence after April 2023.

Financial Support

A UK Government grant of up to £3,000 is available for new plug-in vehicles.