

Appendix 13

Question 10 - Do you agree that the council should have a specific policy in relation to stretch limousines?

Summary of DfT requirement and reason: -

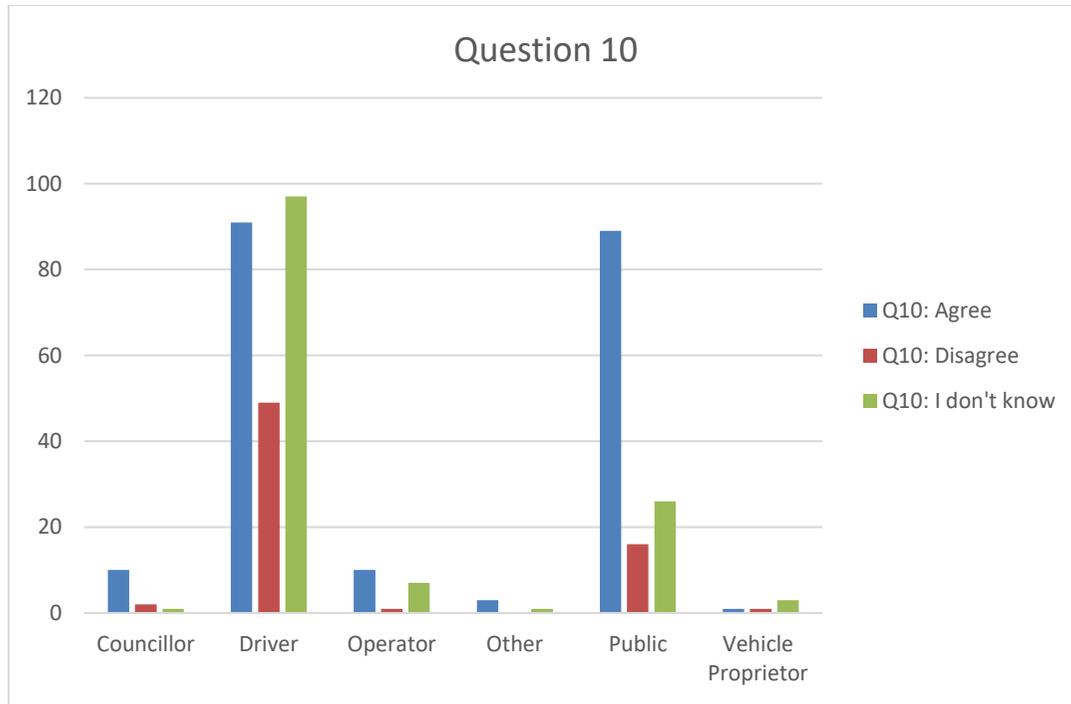
It is the Department's view that it is not a legitimate course of action for licensing authorities to adopt policies that exclude limousines as a matter of principle thereby excluding these services from the scope of the private hire vehicle regime and the safety benefits this provides. A blanket policy of excluding limousines may create an unacceptable risk to the travelling public, as it may lead to higher levels of unsupervised operation. Public safety considerations are best supported by policies that allow respectable, safe operators to obtain licences on the same basis as other private hire vehicle operators.

Yes – 204 respondents (50%)

I do not know – 136 respondents (33%)

No – 69 respondents (17%)

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Summary of repeated/similar additional comments	Council response
Should be same policy/standards/regulation as hackney/private hire	It is a matter for consideration for members.
Not really used in Kirklees, more in cities	It is a matter for consideration for members.
Stretch Limousines are heavily modified, structural checks required	It is a matter for consideration for members.