

Consultation response form

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Improving public transport

A Welsh Government White Paper on proposals to legislate for reforming the planning and delivery of local bus services and licensing of taxis and private hire vehicles

Part 2 – Taxis and private hire vehicles (PHV)

National standards

Q22. Do you agree with our proposal to introduce national standards which will apply to all taxis and PHVs in Wales?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q23. Are there any matters which you would like to see contained in any national standards?

Q24. Are there any matters which you think should be excluded from any national standards?

Q25. What practical obstacles might there be to setting common national standards for both taxis and PHVs?

Q26. What would be the best approach for determining the content of national standards?

Q27. Please provide any other comments or proposals around national standards that were not covered in the above questions.

Enforcement

Q28. Should a local authority be able to revoke or suspend a licence relating to any vehicle operating in its area, even if it did not issue the original licence?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q29. Should a local authority be able to issue a lesser sanction in relation to any vehicle operating in its area, even if it did not issue the original licence?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q30. Please provide any other comments or proposals around enforcement that were not covered in the above questions.

Information-sharing

Q31. Do you agree with our proposal to create a database or make other arrangements for relevant safeguarding information to be shared?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q32. Please provide any other comments or proposals around information-sharing that were not covered in the above questions.

Q33. Do you agree with our proposal to redirect all of the existing taxi and PHV licensing functions away from local authorities and into a national licensing authority (Option A)?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q34. Do you think that local authorities should continue to have responsibility for taxi and PHV licensing (Option B)?

Yes	
No	

Please explain your answer.

Q35. Please provide any other comments or proposals around responsibility for taxi/PHV licensing that were not covered in the above questions.

Q36. We would like to know your views on the effects that the legislative proposals set out in this paper would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

Q36a. What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

Q37. Please also explain how you believe the proposals could be formulated or changed so as to have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, and no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

Q38. We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them: