

MINUTES

Central Australian Commercial Passenger Vehicles Advisory Committee (CACPVAC)

Tuesday, 14 May 2014

Time 9.00 – 11.00am

Greenwell Building, Alice Springs

1.1 Present/Apologies

Present: Chairperson
Private Hire representative
Australian Hoteliers Association representative
Minibus representative –
Eagle Training Services representative
Department of Transport representative
Vehicle Standards & Compliance representative
Alice Springs Town Council representative
Disability Advocacy Services representative

Apologies: Alice Springs Taxis representative
Tangentyere Council representative
13CABS representative
Tourism Representative

1.2 Confirm Minutes from previous meeting

Previous Minutes were accepted

2 General Business

Outstanding Actions

- 2.1 Ranking Issues – Bojangles & Rock Bar. - ASTC Rangers are not scheduling any A/H enforcement audits until the new financial year, however Council have requested that Rangers call around and monitor the area if any A/H emergency call outs occur. **Closed**
- 2.2 Touting signage at the airport – DoT have discussed the effectiveness of the signage at the airport and have been advised that the numbers of drivers inside the airport has significantly reduced since the sign was installed. **Closed**
- 2.3 Design and graphics for the Taxi and Minibus Totems is currently being finalised. Installation expected to be completed before June 2014. Design and graphics for the Taxi and Minibus Totems are currently being finalised. Installation expected to be completed before June 2014 DoT, PH and Minibus Totems will not display Operators contact details on the totems due to the variations in times that vehicles are available for Hire. **Ongoing**
- 2.4 DoT to keep Forum advised on progress of any proposed *changes to CPV driver training*. The Department are looking at mandatory practical CPV driver test for new drivers into the industry, prior to the issue of a provisional ID card. Current arrangements are that a practical test is conducted prior to the completion of the training. Forum members discussed the practicalities of an additional practical assessment and requesting that further information be provided in regards to cost, wait times and delivery. **Ongoing**

2.5 Police Incident Reporting - The Department is not aware of any new incidents of vehicle damage over the past month. ASP taxis have advised that they are faxing reports to the police using the supplied fax number. 13Cabs have commenced installation of the protective window film for their vehicle fleet.

ETS have requested that a copy of the updated form be sent through to them so that they can incorporate this into the CPV training program. **DoT to action.**

2.6 Draft Tourist Vehicle In-Service Maintenance Standards –All feedback from Regional stakeholders has been received and the CPV unit are in the process of finalising the new standards. DoT to advise when available. **Ongoing.**

2.7 Transport Roadmap - CPV Reform strategy. Industry Consultation dates are still being finalised and DoT will keep Forum members updated as things progress. **Ongoing**

2.8 Police presence at Take-Away Alcohol Outlets – CPV Operators are requested to provide feedback to the Police on what /if any impact the police presence had on the CPV industry. Forum members present reported:

- nil impact on PH operations.
- Minibus Operators reported that there has been a slight decrease in demand.
- DoT to follow up with both taxi companies who did not have representation at the meeting.

2.9 Wheelchair restraints in CPV Vehicles- Senior Transport Inspector, Paul Stansall discussed the audit and enforcement regime in regards to wheel chair restraints. Paul also distributed information in regards to a CPV that has a new automotive wheelchair restraint system installed. Paul explained that current regulations regarding securing of wheelchair passengers in vehicles falls under the load restraint guidelines. **Closed**

2.10 Taxi safety Cameras- ASTC provided a demonstration of the new taxi safety cameras that have been installed at Wills and Gregory Tce ranks. Council is going to try and procure additional cameras next financial year. **closed**

3. Other Business

3.1 Ulysess Grand Parade – information was distributed in regards to the potential impact on CPV operations during the Ulysess Grand Parade. Networks and Operators are requested to advise passengers of potential delays and that access to and from the airport may be impacted from identified areas of town. **DoT to distribute information to networks.**

3.2 Uber Systems - The committee discussed the new mobile telephone dispatch network system that is being used interstate and overseas. The system is similar to a car share/car pooling arrangement. At this stage it does not comply with current communication network regulations for use in the NT.

3.3 Nathan Fricker has been approved as a new Taxi Camera installer. Nathan can be contacted via Alice Springs taxis.

3.4 The Committee discussed the current arrangements regarding the compulsory 220 driving hours that is required as part of the CPV driver training. ETS advised that drivers are required to complete the log book however in the case of some categories (PH) they are happy to work with drivers/networks and operators to resolve.

4. Action List

Please refer to Attachment A.

5. Next meeting 15 July 2014

Attachment A

Agenda No	Action	Action Officer
2.3	Design and graphics for the Taxi and Minibus Totems are currently being finalised. Installation expected to be completed before June 2014. Company contact details will alternate, 1 st and 2 nd position on reverse side of totems.	DoT
2.4	The Department are looking at mandatory practical CPV driver test for new drivers into the industry, prior to the issue of a provisional ID card. Members requested that further information be provided in regards to cost, wait times and delivery.	DoT
2.5	ETS requested a copy of the updated Police Incident reporting form that can be incorporated into the CPV training program.	DoT
2.6	Draft Tourist Vehicle In-Service Maintenance Standards. New standards to be distributed to forum members when finalized.	DoT
2.7	Transport roadmap- CPV Regulatory Review. Forum members to be kept updated as plans progress.	DoT
2.8	Police presence at Take-Away Alcohol Outlets – Feedback from both Taxi Networks be obtained on what /if any impact the Police presence had on their operations.	DoT
3.1	Ulysess Grand Parade – Potential impact on CPV operations during the Ulysess Grand Parade. Information to be distributed to Networks and Operators in regards to the time and route of travel.	DoT