

Guildford Borough Council has no record of receiving the original request and as such has not so far offered a reply.

In answer to your questions, we can advise as follows:

1. Does your local authority have a Clean Air campaign or policy in place? If so, is any of this specific to vehicle emissions?

The Council recognises that there are a number of vehicle related actions, which can be used to improve air quality.

The Council published a Clean Air Strategy in November 2017, the specific reference to taxis is in Action 22 of the document copied with this reply, the date of implementation is 2022. Whilst the completion date is 2032, that is only an estimate, as the detail is not in any plans there is no further information.

To clarify the Council does not have a Clean Air Zone, but has one active AQMA with another due to be declared this year. To date no taxi related action plans have been discussed or submitted.

2. In respect of the taxis and PHVs you license in your district, are there current - or will there be future - licensing restrictions on:-

- a. Vehicle types/makes/model
- b. EU emission levels

Not currently. The current Council policy allows vehicles to be licensed up to a maximum age of 10 years, which in part ensures relatively modern standards in terms of emissions.

3. Is there a timetable of date(s) in place by which all licensed vehicles in your district must adhere to your requirements?

No. This policy has been in place for a number of years.

4. Is your local authority providing electric charging points? If so, how many normal and how many fast charging facilities?

I can confirm that there are no specific local authority electric charging points for taxis or private hire vehicles.

5. Will you be providing any grants to proprietors of licensed taxis/PHVs to acquire electric, hybrid or ULEV vehicles?

- a. If so, will one of these aids include Try-to-Buy?
- b. Are the grants available to both hackney and private hire vehicle owners/lessees?

No.

6. Will your district be considering a charge for all (or just licensed) vehicles to enter your Clean Air Zone if you set one out in a specific city/town?

We do not have any Clean Air Zones, nor are any planned. The Ministerial direction was lifted from this authority in January 2019.