

SUPPORT INCREASE	DON'T SUPPORT INCREASE
Until end of 1st consultation on 17 June	
40	5
Until end of 2nd consultation 5 August	
20	0

FARE INCREASE 2022							
Until end of 1st consultation on 17 June							
Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Option 6	Option 7	Option 8
11	3	8	3	11	3	2	0
Until end of 2nd Consultation on 5 August							
Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5	Option 6	Option 7	Option 8
9	0	0	0	10	0	0	0

FURTHER COMMENTS	
Until end of 1st consultation 17 June	
Driver 1	<p>Please note I am not in agreement to the intention of a double fare tariff on a Sunday.</p> <p>I understand other towns do charge time plus half on a Sunday but the double tariff is the incentive to work the Xmas and New Year's Eve period. I would support a proposal of time plus half on a Sunday or an extra of a set rate each fare but do not think it warrants double time. Not only for the drivers but the clients.</p> <p>I'm not too sure who would've suggested this but clients will stop using the service and the drivers would lose the business, it's hard enough trying to get clients to pay time and half on a bank holiday but every Sunday would almost certainly cause ructions for all. Again the time and half is the incentive for drivers to work on bank holidays so this could cause shortages as it would make the incentive generic therefore drivers wouldn't work.</p>
Driver 2	I would like to add that I do not support the introduction of double time for taxis on a Sunday and wish to keep this as it currently is.
Driver 3	I would like to add that I do not support the introduction of double time for taxis on a Sunday and wish to keep this as it currently is.

Driver 4	I would like to add that I do not support the introduction of double time for taxis on a Sunday and wish to keep this as it currently is.
Until end of 2nd consultation 5 August	
Driver 5	There is some concern over double fare on a Sunday, in that not sure the customers would stand the increase on a Sunday, we have a split roughly 50/50 of Sunday double fare or stay with the new rate
Driver 6	<p>Hi team,</p> <p>I too am disappointed that the response to the previous emails has been so low, but to be honest, I am not surprised.</p> <p>Moral out among the drivers is at an all time low!</p> <p>Many including ourselves are looking to get out of the taxi trade altogether.</p> <p>There is absolutely no point in working all the hours that God sends for far less than minimum wage.</p> <p>That is what we are doing now.</p> <p>It is a mugs game.</p> <p>The public are already complaining that there are not taxis available when they require them and that situation is only going to get worse as more of us find other options.</p> <p>We all feel that we are being neglected by the council and continue to be abused by the public.</p> <p>The drivers feel that it is pointless to respond to your emails because little or no notice is ever taken when we do respond.</p> <p>It has been years since we had a fare increase.</p> <p>!</p> <p>Everyone else has a pay rise regularly!</p> <p>We are forgotten and neglected.</p> <p>The only option going forward for most is to turn our hand to something else.</p> <p>*** and I are having our house valued next week , with a view to selling up completely and moving to a nicer area to live and work.</p> <p>Don't expect any decent drivers to stick around for long , because they won't.</p> <p>It is too difficult to make a living wage.</p> <p>Sorry to say these things, but that is the situation as we see it.</p>
Driver 7	I would like to make my feelings known regarding fare increase.

APPENDIX III

	<p>I don't want to see an increase as we are just seeing a vast improvement in the business and I feel an increase could have a detrimental effect. That said fuel has also dropped by 20p per litre. Let's keep the business.</p> <p>Regarding Double time on Sunday, again No. Sunday is regarded as part of the week by most people. Otherwise does it mean double time after 11.00pm, triple time for Bank Holidays and Quadruple for Xmas and New year.</p>
Driver 8 – at a face to face meeting with the trade	<p>As a Swale licensed taxi driver of many years I remember that historically the taxi tariff was increased every 1st October. Could the council consider reverting back to this as the tax trade would then be reassured that the tariff was keeping up with the cost of living</p>