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CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL

# Regulatory Committee

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Report title Taxi Compliance Strategy Consultation

Wards affected All

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Report has been<br/>considered byStrategic Executive Board<br/>Resident Services Leadership Team20 February 2024<br/>13 February 2024

#### **Recommendation for decision:**

The Regulatory Committee is recommended to:

1. Approve a 12-week consultation on the draft Taxi Compliance Strategy.

#### Recommendations for noting:

The Regulatory Committee is asked to note:

1. That, following the consultation, the final Taxi Compliance Strategy will be submitted to Committee for final approval.

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#### 1.0 Purpose

1.1 To seek approval from the Regulatory Committee for a 12-week consultation on the draft Taxi Compliance Strategy.

#### 2.0 Background

2.1 As part of on-going work to improve the service, more formal documentation on its activities is being published. Whilst the Compliance Service has always undertaken a variety of operations and investigations to uphold public safety, the details of these are now being made public to educate, improve transparency and share best practice. Five objectives have been set to clearly outline how the service protects the public.

#### 3.0 Consultation

- 3.1 The service has drafted a Taxi Compliance Strategy, included as Appendix 1. An equalities analysis has been undertaken included as Appendix 2.
- 3.2 If a 12-week consultation is approved, feedback from the consultation with be used to inform a final strategy for approval by the Regulatory Committee.

#### 4.0 Financial implications

4.1 There are no additional costs, as the consultation will operate through the Council's Consultation Hub. All activities included in the strategy are funded through existing revenue budgets.

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#### 5.0 Legal implications

5.1 There are no legal implications.

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#### 6.0 Equalities implications

6.1 A full equalities analysis is included in Appendix 2.

#### 7.0 All other Implications

- 7.1 There are no other implications.
- 8.0 Schedule of background papers
- 8.1 None.

#### 9.0 Appendices

9.1 Appendix 1: Draft Taxi Compliance Strategy

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9.2 Appendix 2: Equalities Analysis.