

MINUTES

Central Australian Commercial Passenger Vehicles Advisory Committee (CACPVAC)

Tuesday, 15 July 2014

Time 9.00 – 11.00am

Greenwell Building, Alice Springs

1.1 Present/Apologies

Present: Chairperson
Australian Hoteliers Association representative
Eagle Training Services representative
Department of Transport representative
Tangentyere Council representative
Disability Advocacy Services representative

Apologies: 13CABS representative
Tourism Representative
Minibus representative
Alice Springs Town Council representative

1.2 Confirm Minutes from previous meeting

Previous Minutes were accepted

2 General Business

Outstanding Actions

- 2.1 Design and graphics for the Taxi and Minibus Totems is currently being finalised. Installation expected to be completed shortly. Taxi Company contact details will alternate, 1st and 2nd position on reverse sides of the totmes.
Ongoing
- 2.2 Proposed *changes to CPV driver training* considered. The Department are looking at mandatory practical CPV driver test and completion of stage 1 CPV training prior to the issue of a provisional ID card. Forum members discussed the practicalities and impacts that these changes could have on driver recruitment in Alice Springs. Current wait times for CPV driver training in Alice Springs is approximately 8-12 weeks between training courses. DoT to discuss with both Taxi companies and PH operators. **Ongoing**
- 2.3 Copy of the updated Police CPV incident report form provided to ETS for inclusion into the Alice Springs CPV training program. **Completed.**
- 2.4 DoT are finalising the new Tourist Vehicle In-Service Maintenance Standards. DoT to distribute when available. **Ongoing.**
- 2.5 Transport Roadmap - CPV Reform strategy. Industry Consultation dates are still being finalised and DoT will keep Forum members updated as things progress.
Ongoing

- 2.6 Police presence at Take-Away Alcohol Outlets – Alice Springs Operators have advised that passenger demand has declined by around 25%. Industry advised that a slow decline in visitor numbers over the past 3 months and this combined with the withdrawal of Tiger Airways on 22 July will have a further impact on the industry. **Ongoing**
- 2.7 Ulysess Grand Parade – information was distributed and impacts on the day were minimal. **Completed**

Other Business

- 3.1 New Network approvals and reporting requirements- Darwin CPV Compliance Officer Simon Gillam recently visited Alice Springs to meet with CPV Networks and advise of the new approval process and reporting requirements. Networks to forward applications and required documentation to the CPV unit for approval. **Ongoing**
- 3.2 Sub Taxi Exemptions – A number of sub taxi-exemptions requests have been approved for Alice Springs to meet the increased demand for Taxi services during recent special events. **Noted**
- 3.3 CPV Enforcement – CPV Inspectors from Darwin recently conducted a compliance and enforcement audit in Alice Springs. Areas of concern were Casino ranking and MPT tariff lights. **Noted**
- 3.4 Casino ranking – Chair, Jason O’Brien and DoT officer to meet with Casino management in regards to proposed changes to the ranking arrangements at the front entrance to the Casino. The Casino has advised that carpark renovations to commence shortly and interim ranking arrangements will be in place for both Taxi and PH vehicles. DoT to advise members of the new arrangements. **Ongoing**

4. Action List

Please refer to Attachment A.

5. Next meeting TBA

Attachment A

Agenda No	Action	Action Officer
2.1	Design and graphics for the Taxi and Minibus Totems are being finalised. DoT to advise on installation date.	DoT
2.2	The Department is considering changes to the mandatory CPV training requirements for the issue of a provisional ID card. DoT to discuss the regional implications with both Taxi companies and PH operators.	DoT
2.4	Draft Tourist Vehicle In-Service Maintenance Standards. New standards to be distributed to forum members when finalized.	DoT
2.5	Transport roadmap- CPV Regulatory Review. Forum members to be kept updated as plans progress.	DoT
2.6	Police presence at Take-Away Alcohol Outlets and withdrawal of Tiger Airways flights to and from Alice Springs – continued monitoring and reporting on the drop in passenger demand for CPV services.	DoT
3.1	Networks approval and reporting requirements. Applications and required documentation to the CPV unit for approval.	DoT 13cabs Asp Taxis A&P private Hire Cars
3.4	Proposed changes to the ranking arrangements at the Casino to be distributed when finalised.	DoT