

MINUTES

Multi-Purpose Taxi Services Working Group Forum

Thursday 16 February 2012

2pm to 4pm

2nd Floor Conference Room, 18-20 Cavenagh Street, Darwin

1.1 Present/Apologies

Present: Department of Lands and Planning (DLP) (Chair)
Multi-Purpose Taxi (MPT) Operator representative
IS Australia representative
Integrated Disability Action Inc representative
MPT Driver representative
Somerville Community Services representative
Anti-Discrimination Commission representative
Department of Lands and Planning representative

Apologies: City Radio Taxis representative
Darwin Radio Taxis representative
Darwin City Council representative

1.2 Confirm Previous Minutes and Outstanding Actions

Minutes from the previous meeting were confirmed by the Working Group.

- **DLP to amend meeting procedures accordingly**

At this stage, the next meeting will be scheduled for one month's time and will then be reassessed.

- **Continue to investigate the possibility of obtaining a NSW Commercial Passenger Vehicle Report**

Unsuccessful in obtaining the report. Somerville Community Services rep advised they may be able to obtain the extract.

2.1 Anti-Discrimination Presentation

The Anti-Discrimination Commission (ADC) has been wanting to form a relationship with the taxi industry for some time.

ADC largely provides two services relevant to the industry:

- Compliance
- Public Education Training

2.2 MPT Survey Results

DLP presented a slideshow with the results from the survey, and provided a hard copy to all members.

2.3 Minimum Standards for Wheelchair Vehicles

Regular feedback from MPT users indicates that the minimum space allocated for mobility aids may not be sufficient in many cases. An Options Paper will be prepared for the CPV Board endorsement on proposed initiative.

2.4 MPT Options for Discussion

Various issues were discussed. An Options Paper will be drafted.

2.5 CPV Compliance Statistics

Compliance statistics from 1 July 2011 to 16 February 2012 was provided to all members. A total of 1897 vehicles were inspected during this period.

2.6 Minutes available to the Public

A summary of meeting outcomes will be available to the public through DLP's website.

3 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 22 March 2012.