

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE – 11 JULY 2013

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

10. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM MEDICAL PRACTITIONER

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report:

- This report describes expressions of interest from MOT testing stations to provide taxi vehicle condition certificate testing facilities.

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSING COMMITTEE: That:

(A)	An expression of interest from a medical practitioner to be added to the Council's approved list of taxi medical providers be approved.
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1.0 Background

1.1 Under the Council policy, taxi drivers must obtain a certificate of medical fitness to drive to Group 2 standards. They may obtain the certificate from their own G.P., from the Council's medical adjudicator, which is 'Aviation Medica' at Stansted Airport, or from a Medical Practitioner on the East Herts Council approved list.

1.2 An expression of interest has been received From a GP surgery at 22 North Street Bishops Stortford to be added to the list of GP's approved to conduct Group 2 standard medicals for taxi licence applicants.

2.0 Report

2.1 An expression of interest was received from Dr Nutley, practising at 22 North Street, Bishops Stortford.

2.2 There does not to appear to be any reason to restrict the number of medical practitioners that undertake Group 2 medicals, and an increased number may increase convenience, and reduce costs for applicants.

3.0 Implications/Consultations

3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper 'A'**.

Background Papers

None.

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