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Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Proposals for the siting of new Hackney Ranks.

I submit the enclosed documentation in support of this request for consideration to be given to sites for new Hackney Carriage ranks, across the Borough of Hastings and St Leonards on Sea.

The Borough currently has two (2) official full time Hackney Ranks which if occupied will hold 19 vehicles, they are; Havelock Road, 15 vehicles and Queens Road, 4 vehicles. In addition, there is a one vehicle evening rank shared as a loading bay in the daytime in Pelham Place. The Authority has limited the number of Hackney carriages at 48 since the 1980's but this year has removed that limit and a rise is expected.

This situation has not changed for many years, other than a short extension to the Queens Road rank and the loss of a rank provisions at Rock a Nore and Cambridge Road, (my personal knowledge goes back 14 years) but the Borough has changed considerably in that time and continues to develop.

You will note that the current position places the total limited rank space in Hastings Town Centre, nothing official exists for St Leonards or the surrounding areas of the Old Town, Ore or Silverhill. In addition, the development of the Pier and seafront at White rock are not catered for in an official capacity.

I attach a series of proposals to be considered, these have been formulated by this department with the cooperation of the local hackney trade representative, please consider these as a matter of urgency and feel free to contact me if you need further information on the request.

Yours sincerely

Licensing Manager

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