

# Private Hire Board

## Changes

### Notice to all paying members

by **EDDIE TOWNSON**  
Chairman Private Hire Board



When the **Private Hire Board** was set up over 10 years ago it was put in place to support the work of **The LPHCA** and **The Suzy Lamplugh Trust** in securing decent **regulation for London**. It was also needed to bring in financial stability for the funding of our Political aspirations and the associated costs of campaigning and lobbying.



#### ... to be inclusive to everyone ...

Another reason for the formation was to be inclusive to everyone in the trade and in recent years we have met that objective by bringing together many Trade Associations, groups and projects.

#### ... struggled with funding ...

We have however struggled with funding and all the contributors have been from either **LPHCA Members** or **LPHCA / Board event sponsors**.



#### I would like to thank you for that support over the years for the Private Hire Board.

Your support has allowed the **Private Hire Board** to function and support the payments of our **Political Lobbyist Robin Hulf** as well as increase the distribution of **Private Hire News** to people that matter in **Government, The Media, The GLA** and **Local Authorities**.

During the recent **Door-to-Door campaign** we identified that there were many new people who would like to work on **The Board** in many differing areas, (**Lobbying Councils, Charity, Fund Raising, Socials**, etc), ironically many of the envisaged original functions that the Board was set up for.

#### ... on a more national level ...

We have also been receiving calls to work on a more national level on projects such as parking issues, road pricing, congestion charging, bus lane exemptions, training and development as well as the forthcoming **Olympics**.

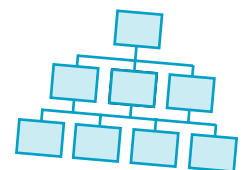
#### ... no longer appropriate ...

It was felt though that **The Board's** current 'Company structure' is no longer appropriate and that some changes to that structure and executive committee will be needed to satisfy our future requirements.

The original mandate of **The Board** called for many different posts and committees and many of these have fallen by the wayside as different needs of the trade and the people in the trade have changed.

#### ... revamp our structure ...

As Chairman I feel it is time to restart some of these committees and to revamp our structure to meet the trade's future needs. For this purpose we will require a vote from you to change and form newly elected committees to give us that new structure.



#### ... support these changes and vote ...

I would hope that you would continue to support **The Board** through these changes and vote via the members voting form which will be sent to you and returnable in the post paid envelope.

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