



LTDA Response to Capital City Foundation report *Saving the Black Cab*

Steve McNamara, General Secretary of the LTDA, said: “We accept the cab trade has a role to play in safeguarding its own future. That’s why we constantly adapt our service to meet the changing needs of Londoners, from embracing apps to equipping all black cabs to take card payments from the end of October, and from 2018 making all new taxis zero emissions capable. However, it’s important to note that our fares are set by TfL, so here our hands are tied.

“The report’s findings also support our stance on the private hire vehicle industry. Whilst there is a place for Uber in London, better regulation is needed to ensure the benefits it brings are not outweighed by the costs: an increasing number of accidents, growing congestion and poor treatment of its drivers. We welcome this report and its common sense recommendations.”