



LTDA Statement on protest outside City Hall

Steve McNamara, General Secretary of the Licensed Taxi Drivers' Association (LTDA) said:

“The protest on Thursday (10th September 2020) was not organised or supported by the LTDA in anyway. We do not condone the behaviour of a very small number of people, who were by no means speaking for the taxi trade and the majority of London’s black cab drivers.

“It is an extremely difficult time for the taxi trade in London, as it is for many sectors. Struggling drivers are understandably concerned about their livelihoods and frustrated that when they should be returning to work and starting to earn again, the Mayor of London and TfL’s policies are making it more difficult, with damaging road closures and taxi access to major roads, like Bishopsgate, being removed. However, we are clear that the language used, and threatening behaviour was completely unacceptable and will only serve to damage our cause.

“The LTDA has consistently sought to engage constructively with the Mayor, TfL and Government to ensure that the concerns of drivers are heard and to tackle these damaging schemes through the proper channels. We are currently focused on seeking to challenge them through the courts, along with the United Trade Action Group.”