

Taxi Licensing in Buckinghamshire - Public Survey: Summary report

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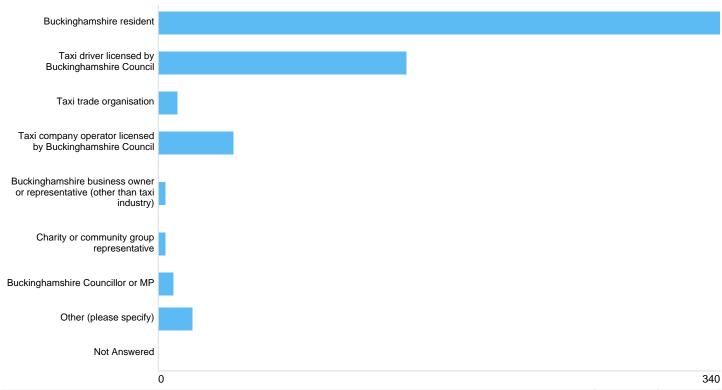
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Question 1: Which of the following best describes your main interest in taxi licensing

Status



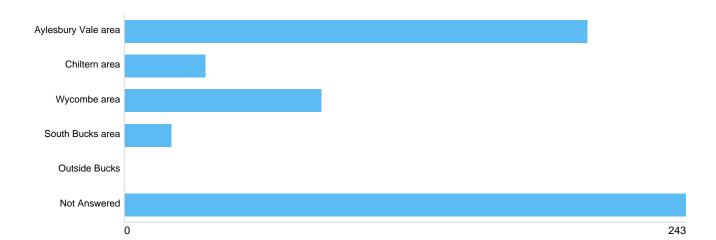
| Option | Total | Percent |
|---|-------|---------|
| Buckinghamshire resident | 340 | 58.32% |
| Taxi driver licensed by Buckinghamshire Council | 150 | 25.73% |
| Taxi trade organisation | 11 | 1.89% |
| Taxi company operator licensed by Buckinghamshire Council | 45 | 7.72% |
| Buckinghamshire business owner or representative (other than taxi industry) | 4 | 0.69% |
| Charity or community group representative | 4 | 0.69% |
| Buckinghamshire Councillor or MP | 9 | 1.54% |
| Other (please specify) | 20 | 3.43% |
| Not Answered | 0 | 0.00% |

Other

There were 23 responses to this part of the question.

Question 2: Which area do you live in?

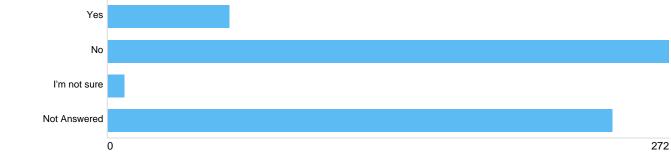
Live



| Option | Total | Percent |
|---------------------|-------|---------|
| Aylesbury Vale area | 200 | 34.31% |
| Chiltern area | 35 | 6.00% |
| Wycombe area | 85 | 14.58% |
| South Bucks area | 20 | 3.43% |
| Outside Bucks | 0 | 0.00% |
| Not Answered | 243 | 41.68% |

Question 3: Do you consider yourself to have a disability or long-term health condition?

Disabiity



| Option | Total | Percent |
|--------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 59 | 10.12% |
| No | 272 | 46.66% |
| I'm not sure | 8 | 1.37% |
| Not Answered | 244 | 41.85% |

Question 4: What area do you represent?

Area

There were **9** responses to this part of the question.

Question 5: What is the name of your charity or community organisation?

Organisation name

There were 4 responses to this part of the question.

Question 6: Do you drive a Hackney Carriage or a Private Hire Vehicle?

Taxi type



| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Hackney Carriage | 71 | 12.18% |
| Private Hire Vehicle | 74 | 12.69% |
| Not Answered | 438 | 75.13% |

Question 7: Which areas are you licensed by? Please select all that apply.

Licensed area



| Option | Total | Percent |
|---------------------|-------|---------|
| Aylesbury Vale area | 59 | 10.12% |
| Chiltern area | 33 | 5.66% |
| Wycombe area | 38 | 6.52% |
| South Bucks area | 21 | 3.60% |
| Outside Bucks | 0 | 0.00% |
| Not Answered | 435 | 74.61% |

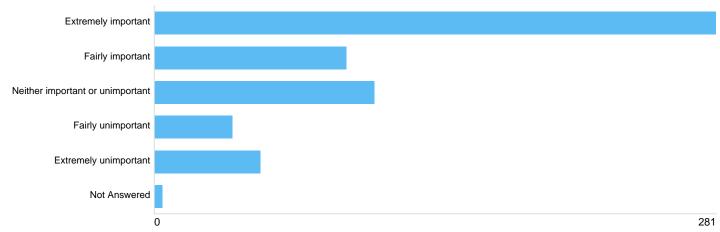
Question 8: Thinking about taxi vehicles, how important are each of the following points to you?

Vehicles - Vehicles are safe and roadworthy



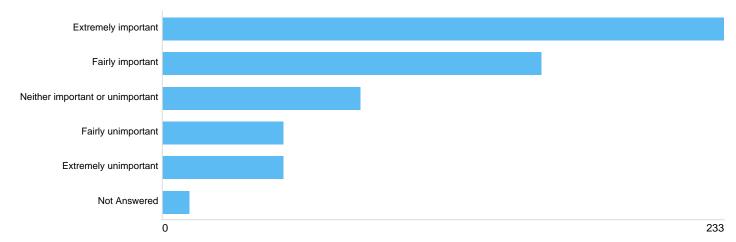
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 526 | 90.22% |
| Fairly important | 51 | 8.75% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 2 | 0.34% |
| Fairly unimportant | 2 | 0.34% |
| Extremely unimportant | 1 | 0.17% |
| Not Answered | 1 | 0.17% |

Vehicles - Vehicles have their compliance tests at a Council-run garage rather than a private garage



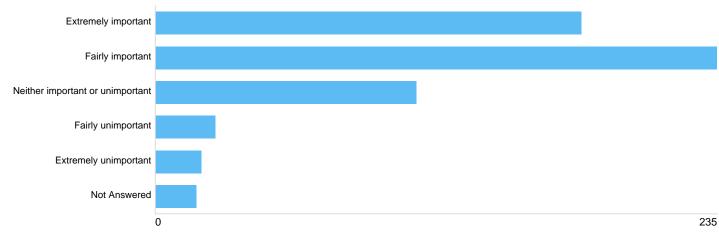
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 281 | 48.20% |
| Fairly important | 96 | 16.47% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 110 | 18.87% |
| Fairly unimportant | 39 | 6.69% |
| Extremely unimportant | 53 | 9.09% |
| Not Answered | 4 | 0.69% |

Vehicles - Vehicles older than 6 years are tested more often



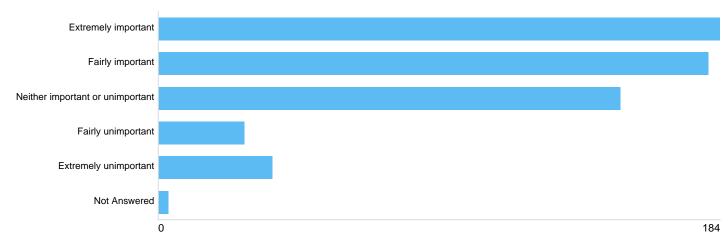
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 233 | 39.97% |
| Fairly important | 157 | 26.93% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 82 | 14.07% |
| Fairly unimportant | 50 | 8.58% |
| Extremely unimportant | 50 | 8.58% |
| Not Answered | 11 | 1.89% |

Vehicles - Vehicles are environmentally-friendly



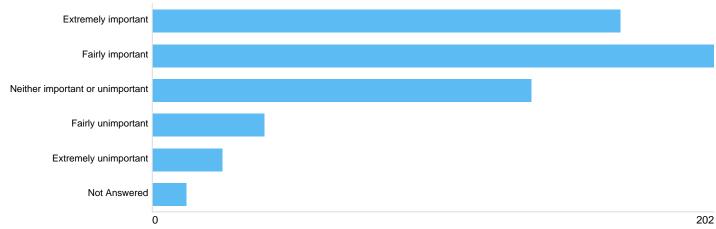
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| Extremely important | 178 | 30.53% |
| Fairly important | 235 | 40.31% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 109 | 18.70% |
| Fairly unimportant | 25 | 4.29% |
| Extremely unimportant | 19 | 3.26% |
| Not Answered | 17 | 2.92% |

Vehicles - The Council provide incentives for electric vehicles



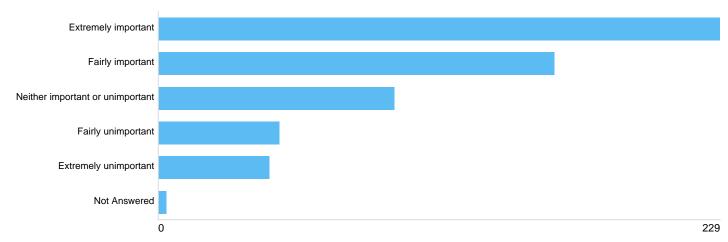
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 184 | 31.56% |
| Fairly important | 180 | 30.87% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 151 | 25.90% |
| Fairly unimportant | 28 | 4.80% |
| Extremely unimportant | 37 | 6.35% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 0.51% |

Vehicles - Vehicles are wheelchair- accessible



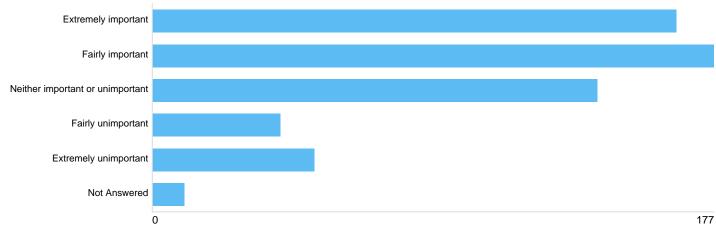
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| Option | Total | Percent |
| Extremely important | 168 | 28.82% |
| Fairly important | 202 | 34.65% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 136 | 23.33% |
| Fairly unimportant | 40 | 6.86% |
| Extremely unimportant | 25 | 4.29% |
| Not Answered | 12 | 2.06% |

Vehicles - There's a clear view into vehicles through all windows



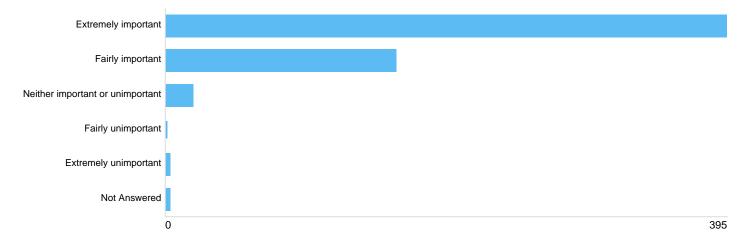
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 229 | 39.28% |
| Fairly important | 161 | 27.62% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 96 | 16.47% |
| Fairly unimportant | 49 | 8.40% |
| Extremely unimportant | 45 | 7.72% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 0.51% |

Vehicles - Vehicles have CCTV installed



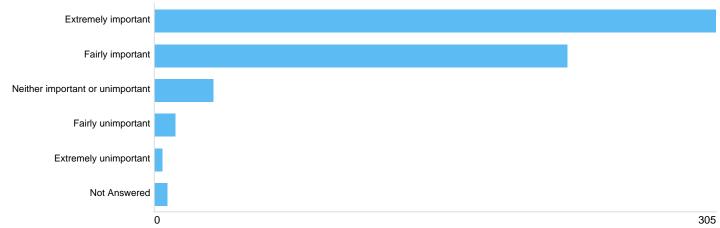
| Option | Total | Percent |
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| Extremely important | 165 | 28.30% |
| Fairly important | 177 | 30.36% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 140 | 24.01% |
| Fairly unimportant | 40 | 6.86% |
| Extremely unimportant | 51 | 8.75% |
| Not Answered | 10 | 1.72% |

Vehicles - Vehicle interiors are clean, tidy and presentable



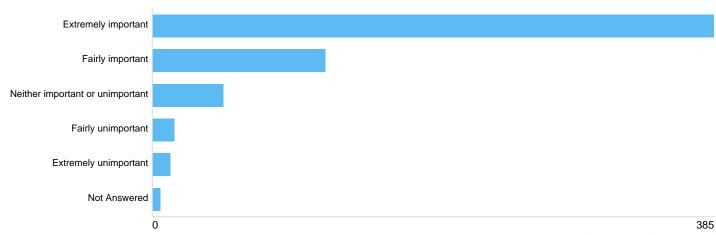
| Option | Total | Percent |
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| Extremely important | 395 | 67.75% |
| Fairly important | 162 | 27.79% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 19 | 3.26% |
| Fairly unimportant | 1 | 0.17% |
| Extremely unimportant | 3 | 0.51% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 0.51% |

Vehicles - Vehicle exteriors are in good condition



| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 305 | 52.32% |
| Fairly important | 224 | 38.42% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 32 | 5.49% |
| Fairly unimportant | 11 | 1.89% |
| Extremely unimportant | 4 | 0.69% |
| Not Answered | 7 | 1.20% |

Vehicles - Vehicles can be clearly identified as 'taxis



| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 385 | 66.04% |
| Fairly important | 118 | 20.24% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 48 | 8.23% |
| Fairly unimportant | 15 | 2.57% |
| Extremely unimportant | 12 | 2.06% |
| Not Answered | 5 | 0.86% |

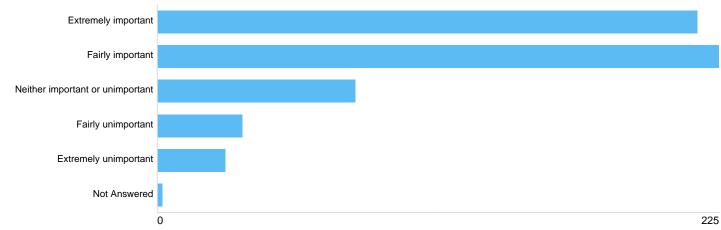
Question 9: Do you have any other comments about taxi vehicles?

Comments behicles

There were 230 responses to this part of the question.

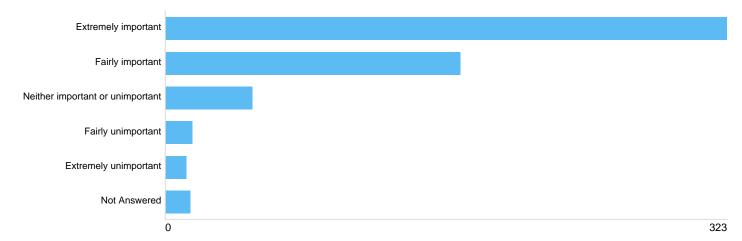
Question 10: Thinking about taxi drivers, how important are each of the following points to you?

Drivers - Taxi drivers know the local area without relying on SatNav systems



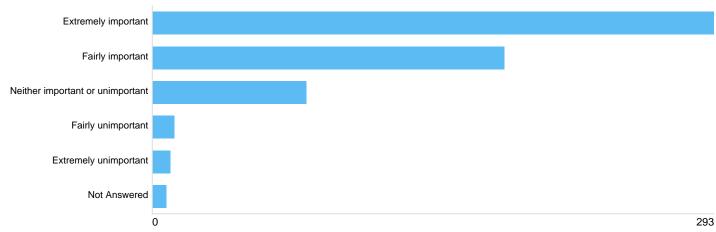
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 216 | 37.05% |
| Fairly important | 225 | 38.59% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 79 | 13.55% |
| Fairly unimportant | 34 | 5.83% |
| Extremely unimportant | 27 | 4.63% |
| Not Answered | 2 | 0.34% |

Drivers - Taxi drivers receive regular safeguarding training



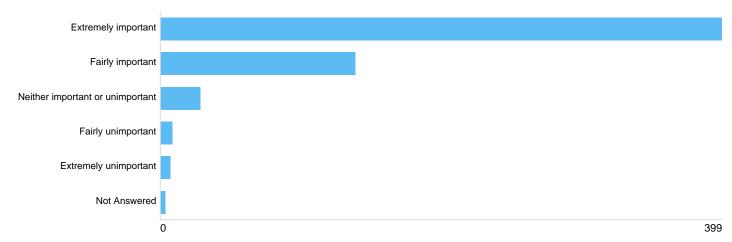
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 323 | 55.40% |
| Fairly important | 169 | 28.99% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 50 | 8.58% |
| Fairly unimportant | 15 | 2.57% |
| Extremely unimportant | 12 | 2.06% |
| Not Answered | 14 | 2.40% |

Drivers - Taxi drivers receive regular disability awareness training



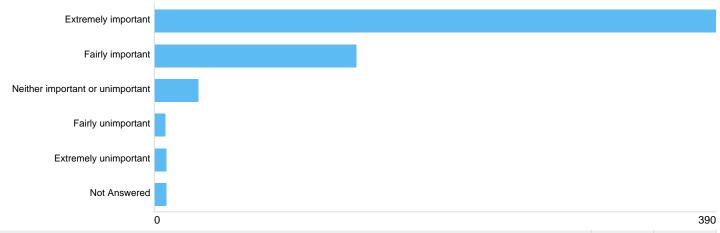
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 293 | 50.26% |
| Fairly important | 183 | 31.39% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 80 | 13.72% |
| Fairly unimportant | 11 | 1.89% |
| Extremely unimportant | 9 | 1.54% |
| Not Answered | 7 | 1.20% |

Drivers - Taxi drivers can understand and speak clearly in English



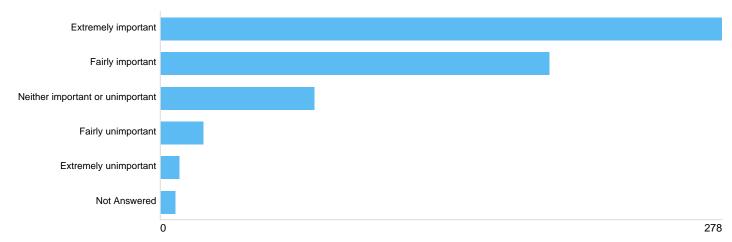
| Option | Total | Percent |
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| Extremely important | 399 | 68.44% |
| Fairly important | 138 | 23.67% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 28 | 4.80% |
| Fairly unimportant | 8 | 1.37% |
| Extremely unimportant | 7 | 1.20% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 0.51% |

Drivers - Taxi drivers can read basic English



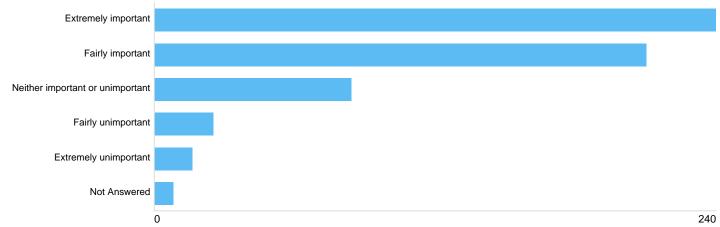
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 390 | 66.90% |
| Fairly important | 140 | 24.01% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 30 | 5.15% |
| Fairly unimportant | 7 | 1.20% |
| Extremely unimportant | 8 | 1.37% |
| Not Answered | 8 | 1.37% |

Drivers - Taxi drivers receive regular medical checks



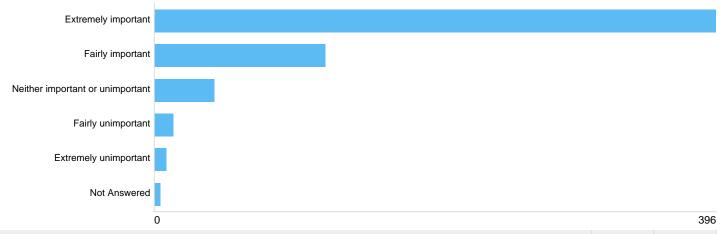
| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 278 | 47.68% |
| Fairly important | 192 | 32.93% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 76 | 13.04% |
| Fairly unimportant | 21 | 3.60% |
| Extremely unimportant | 9 | 1.54% |
| Not Answered | 7 | 1.20% |

Drivers - Older taxi drivers receive medical checks more often



| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 240 | 41.17% |
| Fairly important | 210 | 36.02% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 84 | 14.41% |
| Fairly unimportant | 25 | 4.29% |
| Extremely unimportant | 16 | 2.74% |
| Not Answered | 8 | 1.37% |

Drivers - The Council undertakes drug and alcohol tests on drivers where appropriate



| Option | Total | Percent |
|----------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Extremely important | 396 | 67.92% |
| Fairly important | 120 | 20.58% |
| Neither important or unimportant | 42 | 7.20% |
| Fairly unimportant | 13 | 2.23% |
| Extremely unimportant | 8 | 1.37% |
| Not Answered | 4 | 0.69% |

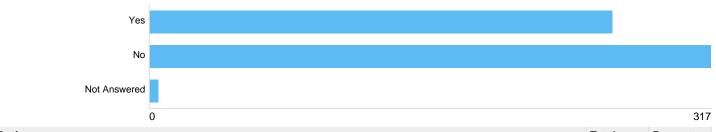
Question 11: Do you have any other comments about taxi drivers?

Comments drivers

There were 178 responses to this part of the question.

Question 12: Do you use taxi ranks?

Taxi rank use



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|--------------|-------|---------|--|
| Option | Total | Percent | |
| Yes | 261 | 44.77% | |
| No | 317 | 54.37% | |
| Not Answered | 5 | 0.86% | |

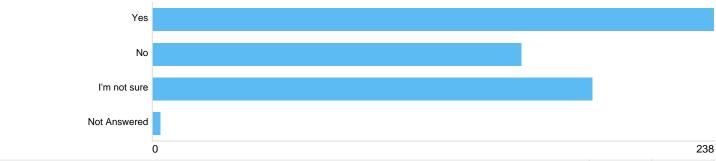
Question 13: If there are any locations where you would use a taxi rank that doesn't have one at the moment, please provide details.

Taxi rank locations

There were 119 responses to this part of the question.

Question 14: Do you think we should keep these separate taxi operating zones?

Zones



| Option | Total | Percent |
|--------------|-------|---------|
| Yes | 238 | 40.82% |
| No | 156 | 26.76% |
| I'm not sure | 186 | 31.90% |
| Not Answered | 3 | 0.51% |

Question 15: Please explain why you gave that last answer.

Zone answer reasons

There were **351** responses to this part of the question.

Question 16: Do you have any other comments about taxi licensing or how taxis operate in Buckinghamshire?

Additional comments

There were **243** responses to this part of the question.