



Traffic Commissioners

The seven Traffic Commissioners are appointed by the Secretary of State for the Transport and have responsibility in their area for:

- The licensing of the operators of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) and of buses and coaches (Public Service Vehicles or PSVs).
- The registration of local bus services.
- Granting vocational licences and taking action against drivers of HGVs and PSVs.

The Traffic Commissioner for Scotland is also responsible for dealing with both appeals against decisions by Scottish local authorities on taxi fares, with appeals against charging and removing improperly parked vehicles in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Commissioners are statutorily independent in their licensing functions. When necessary, they hold Public Inquiries, in particular to consider the environmental suitability of HGV operating centres and the possibility of disciplinary action against operators who have not observed the conditions of their licences.

One Traffic Commissioner, (currently the South Eastern and Metropolitan Traffic Commissioner), is the Senior Traffic Commissioner, an administrative appointment which gives him the role of encouraging consistency in licensing decisions and procedures. The Traffic Commissioners are assisted by Deputy Traffic Commissioners, who hold some of the Public Inquiries.

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A brief description of each Traffic Commissioner including their education, employment background and outside interests.

Annual reports

Traffic Commissioners's Annual Reports from 1999.

Traffic Commissioners' Publication Scheme

The Publication Scheme is a guide to what information is available from the Traffic Commissioners, whether it is available in print or via the web site, how it can be obtained and whether there is a charge.

The Traffic Commissioners's Modernising Agenda (97 kb)

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