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GENERAL INTEREST AND SAFETY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- 1) For what purpose/type of business is Mr Stoddart applying for a private hire vehicle licence?
- a. *Exmoor Trike Tours will provide a series of tours around Exmoor using a road legal Trike aimed at residents of Somerset and visitors to the area. Trike Tours are already established and have been licenced by the relevant local authorities in Scotland, Yorkshire, Buckinghamshire, and the Midlands.*
- The tours will last between 2 and 6 hours. Customers will be collected from their accommodation, or Mr Stoddart will arrange a convenient place to meet to start the tour. Tours will include visiting small manufacturers of hand-crafted products, scenic beauty spots and areas of historic importance and history.*

- 2) What sort of vehicle is being applied for?
- a. *A motorised tricycle, made by Rewaco in Germany. It will be a 2018 model, very similar to the trike pictured below. It will carry two passengers plus the driver and have safety belts fitted.*



- 3) Will Exmoor Trike Tours provide helmets to passengers?
- a. *Exmoor Trike Tours will provide motorcycle helmets for all passengers.*
- 4) Will protective clothing be provided? Or will passengers be required to bring suitable clothing?
- a. *Exmoor Trike Tours will provide wet weather protective clothing for all passengers.*
- 5) Will passengers be briefed regarding vehicle safety before a journey?
- a. *A full safety briefing will take place before every tour. Helmets, jackets and gloves are all compulsory and will be fitted, with safety belts adjusted for each passenger.*
- 6) Will Mr Stoddart have sufficient means to be able to communicate with his passengers during travel?
- a. *The driver and passengers will be able to communicate at all times via a two way wireless intercom system fitted to each helmet.*

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- 7) Will the vehicle be able to carry a fire extinguisher and/or a first aid kit?
 - a. *Yes, tricycles can and will carry both a first aid kit and a fire extinguisher.*

- 8) What would happen in the event of a vehicle breakdown?
 - a. *In the event of the trike having a puncture, guests will be returned to their accommodation in a taxi and the AA will recover and repair the trike.*

- 9) Is there any luggage space on the vehicle in question?
 - a. *There is a small boot in which each passenger may store one small to medium bag.*