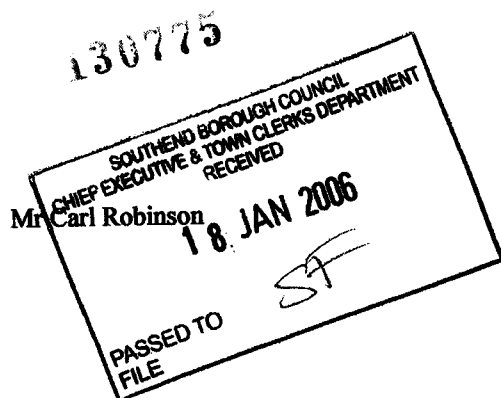




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Dear Mr Robinson

I am Chair of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Night Time Economy Group (NTEG). On 9 January 2007 the group received a presentation from representatives of the taxi trade asking for support for their proposal to restructure fares so they could increase the number of taxis available late at night. Our groups aim is to reduce crime and disorder and we were unanimously in favour of this suggestion as we believe an increase in taxis would have the desired effect of getting people away from the town centre and therefore reducing the opportunity for violent crime and criminal damage.

I and all members of the NTEG strongly support this move by the taxi trade and ask you to give it favourable consideration.

I would like to thank you in advance for supporting us in our efforts to make Southend a safer place.

Yours sincerely

Inspector Darren WILES
Chair CDRP Night Time Economy Group

