## LICENSING TEAM

Southampton and Eastleigh Licensing Partnership

Southampton City Council Licensing

Civic Centre Southampton

SO14 7LY

Licensing Team,

Southampton & Eastleigh Licensing

**Partnership** 

PO Box 1767, Southampton SO18 9LA



Dial: 023 8083 3002 E-mail: licensing@southampton.gov.uk

Our ref: BREXIT/EUSS Please ask for: Russell Hawkins

24th November 2020

Drivers, Proprietors and Operators.

## Brexit - EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS)

As most of you will be aware the Brexit transition period ends this year on 31 December 2020. This means that from 1 January 2021, the UK will have a new points-based immigration system that will impact how we are able to grant licenses.

If you are an EU citizen you must apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS), **before 30 June 2021**, if you want to continue living and working in the UK. See below:

https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/applying-for-settled-status

Southampton City Council value all our licenced drivers and we want our EU drivers to remain working in the city.

Please act now. It's free to apply and the scheme protects the rights of EU citizens, including access to healthcare, benefits and pensions.

For more information the Southampton City Council section on our website covers a range of topics, including where to get help with the EUSS. See below:

http://www.southampton.gov.uk/weddings-ceremonies-registrations/citizenship-european-settlement-scheme/european-settlement-verification-service.aspx

If you have any concerns or questions about how Brexit will impact your licence with Southampton City Council, please email the taxi licensing team at <a href="mailto:licensing@Southampton.gov.uk">licensing@Southampton.gov.uk</a>

As the transition date is fast approaching, please don't delay and act NOW.

Yours sincerely,

Russell Hawkins Senior Licensing Officer

Switchboard: 023 8083 3000,

If you require this letter or future correspondence from us in a different format (e.g. tape, Braille or disc) please do not hesitate to let us know.