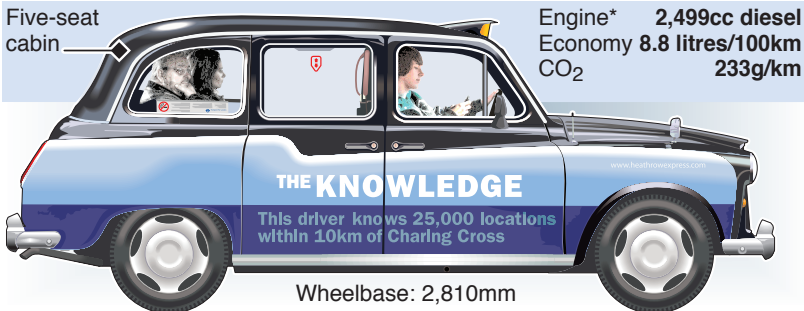


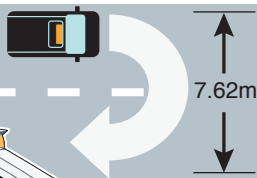
New rival for London's iconic black cab

London's black cab has reigned supreme for over 60 years and remains a familiar sight in the 21st century, but now the capital's 25,000 taxi drivers have an alternative – the spacious, fuel-efficient Mercedes Vito



Austin FX4: 75,000 built 1958-97. Lifetime of use – up to 1,000,000km

Manoeuvrability: London taxis must be capable of ultra-tight 7.62-metre turning circle



Low Speed Manoeuvrability system:
LSM steers rear wheels below 8km/h to meet turning circle requirement

Engine 2,148cc diesel
Economy 8.6 litres/100km
CO₂ 229g/km

*Specification for latest black cab, Chinese-built TX4

Sources: The London Taxi Company, Mercedes-Benz

© GRAPHIC NEWS