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MINUTES OF MEETING of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber, Patons Building, Kilncraigs, Alloa, FK10 1EB, on TUESDAY 30 JUNE 2015 at 10.00 am.

PRESENT

Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE (Convenor) Councillor Alastair Campbell Councillor Kenneth Earle Councillor Irene Hamilton Councillor Kathleen Martin Councillor Derek Stewart

IN ATTENDANCE

Ian Doctor, Service Manager Alastair MacKenzie, Team Leader, Building Standards and Licensing June Andison, Licensing Administrator Janice McCrum, Solicitor, Clerk to the Committee

RC.86 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ellen Forson and Councillor Les Sharp.

RC.87 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

RC.88 MINUTES OF MEETING: 12 MAY 2015

The minutes of the Regulatory Committee meeting held on Tuesday 12 May 2015 were submitted for approval.

The Clerk pointed out an error in the minute; Councillor Kathleen Martin's name had been recorded in the sederunt for the meeting and had also been recorded under apologies for absence (RC.82). As Councillor Martin was not present at the meeting on 12 May 2015 and had proffered apologies, the minute would be amended to reflect this.

Subject to the above amendment, the minute of the Regulatory Committee meeting held on Tuesday 12 May 2015 was agreed as a correct record and signed by the Convenor.

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RC.89 APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI OPERATOR'S LICENCE

A report which asked the Committee to consider an application for the grant of a Taxi Operator Licence was submitted by the Head of Development and Environment. At the meeting of the Regulatory Committee on 10 June 2014, the Committee had agreed to the removal of the limit on Taxi Operator Licences and subsequently delegated powers to officers to approve applications only where no objections are received. Committee was, therefore, asked to consider this application as it had attracted nine objections.

In response to a query from Councillor Earle regarding section 10(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (paragraph 3.4 of the report), the Team Leader, Licensing and Building Standards, confirmed that the Transport Act 1985 amended Section 10(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and not the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975.

Attending

Mr Richard Walsh, Applicant Mr Steven Baird, Objector, representing the Taxi Owners' Association Mr Alastair MacKenzie, Team Leader Licensing and Building Standards

The Committee heard submissions from all of the parties attending and had opportunity to put guestions to them.

Motion

Having considered all of the information set out in the report and the representations made, that the Committee approves the application for the grant of a Taxi Operator's Licence.

Moved by Councillor Kenneth Earle. Seconded by Councillor Alastair Campbell.

Decision

Having considered all of the information set out in the report and the representations made, the Committee agreed unanimously to approve the application for the grant of a Taxi Operator's Licence (Numbered 615).

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Action

Regulatory Services Manager

Ends 1030 hrs