

Chlach Mhanann

MINUTES OF MEETING of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held via VIDEO CONFERENCE (MS TEAMS) on TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2022 at 9.54 AM

PRESENT

Councillor Kenneth Earle **Councillor Phil Fairlie** Councillor Wendy Hamilton **Councillor Scott Harrison** Councillor Darren Lee Councillor Jane McTaggart

IN ATTENDANCE

Paul Fair, Civic Licensing Standards Officer June Andison, Licensing Administrator Richard Thompson, Solicitor, Legal and Governance (Clerk to the Committee) Melanie Moore, Committee Services, Legal and Governance

RC(22)21 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Martha Benny and Councillor Kathleen Martin.

RC(22)22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

None.

RC(22)23 **CONFIRM MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON 16 AUGUST 2022**

The minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 16 August 2022 were submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Regulatory Committee held on Tuesday 16 August 2022 were agreed as a correct record and agreed by Committee.

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, Councillor McTaggart nominated Councillor Fairlie to Chair the meeting. All the Committee agreed and Councillor Fairlie took the Chair.

EXEMPT ITEMS

The Council resolved in terms of Section 50A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973, that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as detailed in Schedule 7A, Part 1, Paragraphs 3, 6 and 14.

RC(22)24 APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF TAXI DRIVER LICENCE

The Licensing Authority had received an application to grant taxi driver licence for Scott Walker. Representations on the application had been received from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer (CLSO) and Police Scotland. The Committee were asked to consider all the information before them and having done so to determine whether to grant the licence unconditionally, grant the licence with conditions or to refuse the application.

Attending

Mr Scott Walker, Applicant Mr Paul Fair, Civic Licensing Standards Officer (CLSO) PS Derek Simpson, Police Scotland

The Committee heard representation from the Applicant, CLSO and Police Scotland. The Committee then had the opportunity to put questions to all parties.

Following questions, the Committee agreed to adjourn at this point in the proceedings (10.10 am). Mr Walker, PS Derek Simpson and Mr Fair withdrew from the meeting. The meeting resumed at 10.36 am with 6 members present. Mr Walker and Mr Fair re-joined the meeting. (Councillor Lee had joined meeting but didn't take park. Unfortunately PS Simpson was unable to return to the meeting due to IT issues.

Motion

Having considered all of the information presented to it and having had the opportunity for questions, that the Committee agrees the application to grant Taxi Driver Licence.

Moved by Councillor Kenneth Earle. Seconded by Councillor Jane McTaggart.

Decision

Having considered all of the information presented to it and having had opportunity for questions, the Committee agreed unanimously to grant the application to grant Taxi Driver Licence. Comment was made that if any further offences come back to Committee then the Licence could be refused.

Action

Clerk to the Committee

Ends 10.40 am