# THIS PAPER RELATES TO ITEM 7 ON THE AGENDA

### **CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL**

**Report to Regulatory Committee** 

Date of Meeting: 19 September 2019

Subject: Application for the Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence &

Taxi Operators Licences T19 & T53

**Report by: Regulatory Services Manager** 

# 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. The Council's Scheme of Delegation allows the Strategic Director (Place) to determine all applications for the licences under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (the "1982 Act"), except where there has been any objections or representations received from any party.
- 1.2. The Licensing Authority has received representations from Police Scotland and the Council's Civic Licensing Standards Officer (CLSO) to the licensing authority therefore the Committee is asked to consider the applications for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence and two Taxi Operator's Licences.

# 2.0 Recommendations

2.1. That the Committee considers all off the information provided including representations from all parties and determine the matter before them in accordance with the provisions of the 1982 Act.

### 3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. Under the terms of the 1982 Act the applicant has applied for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence number T1160 on 30 May 2019, Taxi Operator Licences for T19 and T53 on 30 April 2019. As these were submitted before his Taxi Driver's Licence and Taxi Operator's Licences expired he is entitled to drive and use the vehicles until his applications have been determined. A copy of the applications are provided as a background papers and marked as Appendix 1.
- 3.2. In accordance with the 1982 Act, copies of the application forms were sent to relevant consultees for consultation. Police Scotland responded that the applicant had declared two road traffic convictions on his application form for the renewal of his taxi driver's licence. The first offence occurred in Cumbria on the 11 December 2017 which resulted in a fine which was not paid this resulted in a conviction on 17 May 2019 of failing to provide the identity of driver of a motor vehicle at the time of a speeding offence.

The second offence occurred on the 13 October 2018 when the applicant was found to be driving at 48mph in a 30mph speed limit. Letters were sent to the applicant requiring him to provide the identity of the driver of his vehicle at the time of the offence which he failed to do so. Officers from Police Scotland visited the applicant at his home address where he admitted that he had been driving the vehicle, he was issued with a conditional offer of a fixed penalty which he failed to comply with. A report was submitted to the Procurator Fiscal resulting in the conviction. A copy of the letter of representation from Police Scotland provided as a background paper marked Appendix 2. The CLSO has responded that the applicant has declared two road traffic convictions on his Taxi Drivers application and due to the nature and circumstances of the convictions and their relevancy to the type of licence applied for these applications should not granted under delegated powers and should be determined the Regulatory Committee. A copy of the letter of representation from The CLSO is provided as a background paper marked Appendix 3.

- 3.3. As a result of the representation, the Council's scheme of delegation requires the matter to be referred to committee for a decision.
- 3.4. The Regulatory Committee are therefore asked to consider all the information before them and having done so to determine whether to (1) grant the licence subject to conditions or (2) to refuse the application.

# 4.0 Sustainability Implications

4.1. None

# 5.0 Resource Implications

- 5.1. Financial Details
- 5.2. There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report.
- 5.3. Staffing
- 5.4. There are no staffing implications as a result of the recommendations in this report

## **Exempt Reports**

5.5. Is this report exempt? Yes  $\square$  (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No  $\square$ 

# 7.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1)	Our Priorities (Please double click on the check box ☑)	
	Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life	
	Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential	
	Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish	
(2)	Council Policies (Please detail)	
	None	
8.0	Equalities Impact	
8.1	Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?  Yes □ No ☑	)
9.0	Legality	
9.1	It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in report, the Council is acting within its legal powers.	this
10.0	Appendices	
10.1	Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendiplease state "none".	ces,
10.2	Application Form (Appendix 1)	
10.3	Letter Police Scotland	
10.3	Letter Civic Licensing Standards Officer dated 12 July 2019 (Appendix 2)	
11.0	Background Papers	
11.1	Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents muskept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting a which the report is considered)  Yes   (please list the documents below)  No    Y	

Author(s)

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Approved by

NAME	DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE
Ian Doctor	Regulatory Services Manager	
Pete Leonard	Strategic Director (Place)	

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# Community & Regulatory Services



# Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Individual Application Application for the Grant or Renewal of a Taxi Licence or Private Hire Car Licence

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Please state particulars of any convictions or pending cases, including contraventions of Byelaws, Road Traffic Offences and Environmental Health/Food Hygiene Offences? YES/NO. If so, give particulars below. (If

none please state "NONE")

Date	Court	Offence	Sentence	
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I declare that the particulars given by me on this form are true and I hereby make application to Clackmannanshire Council for the grant or renewal of the licence applied for.

Signature of applicant

Please return the completed form together with the relevant fee to:

The Licensing Administrator Clackmannanshire Council Kilncraigs Alloa FK10 1EB

If you require any further information please contact the Licensing Administrator on telephone number 01259 452093 or email address <u>licensing@clacks.gov.uk</u>

N.B. Any person who in or in connection with the making of this application makes any statement which he knows to be false or recklessly makes any statement which is false in a material particular shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £2,500.

Community & Regulatory Services

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# Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Individual Application Application for the Grant or Renewal of a Taxi Licence or Private Hire Car Licence

PRID 76 APR 21 Each question must be answered First Name Surname Full Name BRIAN BARR Home Address (Including Postcode) Telephone Number Date of Birth Place of Birth Years Age, Date & Place of Birth Type of licence applied for? T53 Priváte Hirc Car If applicant does not propose to operate the vehicle himself, state: NA Full name: Full address of the person or persons who will manage the operation of the vehicle. Date of First cc. Rating Registration Number Registration 1.6 1ST MARCH 2015 Estate or Saloon Model Make MPU BERLINGO CITROEN Number of Passengers Fuel Type Number of Doors DIESEL 5 Measurements Across Colour/Artwork Number Colour Back Seat NA SILVER NIA Chassis Number

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Please state particulars of any convictions or pending cases, including contraventions of Byelaws, Road Traffic Offences and Environmental Health/Food Hygiene Offences? YES/NO. If so, give particulars below. (If

none please state "NONE")

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Signature of applicant	 <b>.</b>
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Date 26/4/19

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Clackmannanshire Comhairle Siorrachd
Chlach Mhanann

# Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Application for the Grant or Renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence or a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence

# Each question must be answered

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Clackmannanshire Council has a duty to protect public funds-that it administers and may use this information for the protection and detection of fraud. For more details, please contact Senior Anditor, on tel: 01259 452000

28/06/2019

Your Ref: T1160

Our Ref: 428822

Andrew Crawford
Team Leader Building
Standards & Licensing
Clackmannanshire Council
Kilncraig
Alloa
FK10 1EB



Dear Sir, Thom McLoughlin MSc CMgr FCMI Chief Superintendent Divisional Commander

> Forth Valley Division Headquarters Randolphfield St Ninian's Road Stirling FK8 2HD

CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 APPLICATION FOR RENEWALTAXI DRIVER LICENCE APPLICANT: BRIAN BARR,

I refer to the above application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence and in terms of Section 3(1) of Schedule I of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, make the following representation in relation to the application.

Examination of the application form indicated that the applicant has stated that he has been convicted of offences. These convictions have been declared on the application form but require clarification in order to allow the Committee to consider their decision in relation to the application.

To clarify the applicant has been convicted as follows;

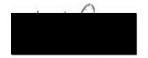
Date	Court	Crime/Offence	Disposal
17/05/2019	Alloa Sheriff Court	Section 172 Road Traffic Act 1988 - Fail to provide identity of driver	Community Payback Order – 100 hours to be completed within 5 months.
08/05/2019	Alloa Justice of the Peace Court	Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Section 84 and 89	£350 fine

The first offence listed occurred in the Cumbria area on 11/12/2017 and it would appear that the original fine imposed was not paid which resulted in the conviction on 17/05/2019. This fine was declared on the application form but the subsequent conviction as above has not. Full details if the circumstances of the offence are not available to Police Scotland as this is an offence which occurred in England.

The circumstances of the second conviction are that at 2026 hours on 13/10/2018 Mr Barr was found to be driving at 48mph in a 30 mph speed limit on the B9096 near to Lornshill Academy, Alloa. 2 letters were sent to the applicant requiring him to provide the identity of the driver of his vehicle at the time of the offence. Having received no reply police attended at the home address of Mr Barr at which time he admitted to having been driving the vehicle. He was issued with a conditional offer of fixed penalty which he failed to comply with. A report was thereafter submitted to the Procurator Fiscal resulting in the above conviction.

This representation is brought to your attention when considering this application.

Yours faithfully



Thom McLoughlin MSc CMgr FCMI Chief Superintendent Divisional Commander

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From: Paul Fair, Licensing Standards Officer

# **Development and Environmental Services** Kilncraigs, Greenside Street, Alloa, FK10 1EB

Telephone: 01259 450000

### Memo

To: Andrew Crawford

Team Leader Environmental Health and

Licensing Kilncraids Alloa **FK10 1EB** 

Email: pfair@clacks.gov.uk Our Ref: PF/CLSO/PHD/T1160

Your Ref: 19/00389/TD1

Extension: 01259 452091

Date: 16 July, 2019

Civic Government (Scotland) Act, 1982 Application for Taxi Drivers Licence and Taxi operators Licences x 2 T1160 (Driver), T19 (Taxi Operator), T53 (Taxi Operator) Brian Barr.

- 1. In terms of Schedule 1, paragraph 3 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act, 1982 (the Act) I wish to make a representation in relation to the grant of a Taxi Drivers licence and 2 taxi operators licences to Brian Barr,
- 2. This representation asks that the Regulatory Committee consider the information contained in paragraphs 3-11, before coming to a decision as to whether or not these licences should be granted.
- 3. The applicant has declared 2 road traffic convictions on his most recent Taxi Drivers application.
- 4. Due to the nature and circumstances of these convictions, their relatively recent occurrence and their relevancy to the type of licence applied for these applications should not be granted under delegated powers, and should be determined by the Regulatory Committee.
- 5. The first conviction relates to an offence of failing to identify the driver of a motor vehicle at the time of a speeding offence being investigated by the Police. Mr Barr has declared that the penalty imposed was a fine of £660 and 6 penalty points endorsed on his licence
- 6. The second offence relates to speeding at 48 miles per hour in a 30 miles per hour built up area. This offence was committed whilst driving a taxi on route to a uplift a pre booked hire customer. There was not a fare paying passenger in the car at the time
- 7. Other than the applicants explanation the circumstances of the offences are not known to the Civic Licensing Standards. However Police Scotland have provided some additional details.
- 8. On the face of it also appears that the applicant has failed to properly declare details of these convictions on some application forms, as required by the standard conditions of the licence.
- 9. The table at Appendix A to this report shows details of the type, and dates of the various applications lodged in 2018 and 2019 by the applicant, and the final column shows the details of the convictions that were declared on each application. As can be seen the dates of the convictions would indicate that these matters should have been both notified in writing and declared in earlier applications than they first appeared. It may be that the applicant having had the opportunity to examine this table would want to offer some explanation for what appears to be a failure to comply with the conditions of his licences
- 10. I can confirm that soon after Mr Barr received notification of the intended prosecution for the second offence he did contact the CLSO and took advice on the notification process, and

- although this matter was not finally notified in writing on the application dated 27 May, 2019, this was shortly after the date of conviction for the offence, which was in May 2019.
- 11. In summary, this applicant has been convicted within a relatively short period of time, of two motoring offences, which have resulted in endorsements on his licence now totalling 10 penalty points. The offences are both connected with speeding offences, although the first conviction does not identify the applicant as the driver at the time.

# Paul Fair

Civic Licensing Standards Officer

#### Appendix A Table Detailing Applications and Declared Convictions – Brian Barr T1160 Licence Licence Type Date of application Convictions declared Number 11 December, 2017 **DVLA Code MS90** 27 May 2019 Disposal: 6 penalty Points, Fine £660 Taxi Driver T1160 Renewal 2019 Signed by applicant 13 October, 2018 **DVLA Code SP30** Disposal: 4 penalty points, Fine £350 31 May 2018 Taxi Driver T1160 None Declared Renewal 2018 Signed by applicant 11 December, 2017 Taxi Operator 26 April 2019 **DVLA Code MS90** T19 (Vehicle) Disposal: 6 penalty Points, Fine £660 Renewal 2019 Signed by applicant 5 March 2018 Taxi Operator None Declared T19 (Vehicle) Renewal 2018 Signed by applicant 11 December, 2017 Taxi Operator 26 April 2019 **DVLA Code MS90** T53 (Vehicle) Disposal: 6 penalty Points, Fine £660 Renewal 2019 Signed by applicant 11 December, 2017 Taxi Operator 3 September 2018 **DVLA Code MS90** T53 (Vehicle) Disposal: 6 penalty Points, Fine £660 Renewal 2018 Signed by applicant