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Agenda Item 3

Minute

Draft

Minute of meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held remotely on Wednesday 13 January 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

Councillors: David Aitchison
David Balfour
Lorna Binnie
Jim Blackwood
William Buchanan
Dennis Goldie
Jim Flynn
Gordon Hughes (Convener)
John Patrick
Depute Provost Ritchie

Officers: Karen Chambers, Committee Services Officer
Bryan Douglas, Licensing Co-ordinator
Rose Mary Hoey, Interim Legal Services Manager
Frances Kobiela, Senior Solicitor

CL36. Apologies

None

CL37. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

CL38. Minute

The minute of Meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held on 9 December 2020 was approved.

CL39. List of Applications Granted under Delegated Powers in December 2020

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer detailing the applications granted under delegated powers during December 2020 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Decision

The committee noted the report.

CL40. Knowledge Test Failure

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing details on an application for a new taxi driver licence, the knowledge test opportunities, and the options available.

Decision

The committee agreed that there were exceptional circumstances in regard to the application and agreed to allow the applicant Mr Myles, three further opportunities to take and pass the knowledge test.

CL41. Exclusion of Public

RESOLVED in terms of section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude from the meeting the press and public for the following items of business on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the said Act.

CL42. Application for the Grant of a New Taxi Operator Licence

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a new taxi operator licence.

Decision

The committee continued the application.

CL43. Application for the Renewal of a Taxi Driver Licence

The applicant, Mr B, joined the remote meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of the renewal of a taxi driver licence

Decision

The committee agreed to renew the Taxi Driver licence, subject to the standard conditions until 30 November 2021.

CL44. Application for the Renewal of a Taxi Operator Licence

The applicant, Mr B, joined the remote meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of the renewal of a taxi operator licence

Decision

The committee agreed to renew the Taxi Operator licence with or without a warning letter, subject to the standard conditions alone or with additional conditions until 30 November 2021.

CL45. Request to Vary a Taxi Operator Licence

The applicant's representative Mr A, joined the meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the request to vary a taxi operator licence

Decision

The committee agreed to continue the application until the next meeting of the committee, due to technical difficulties of the applicant's representative.

CL46. Application for the Grant of a New Private Hire Car Licence

The applicant, Mr V, joined the remote meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a new private hire car licence.

The applicant spoke in support of his application.

Sgt Livingstone spoke in support of the Police representation.

There were questions for both parties from members.

The committee adjourned for a short time at 11.25am and reconvened at 11.35am with all members present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee refused to grant the Private Hire Car Driver licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, Schedule 1 paragraph 5(3)(a)(ii) on the ground that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to be the holder of such a licence.