

The background of the slide features a large, light blue watermark of the City of Vancouver's coat of arms. The crest is a shield divided into four quadrants. The top-left quadrant shows a city skyline with a diagonal beam of light. The top-right quadrant depicts a stag's head with antlers. The bottom-left quadrant shows a three-masted sailing ship on wavy water. The bottom-right quadrant features a grizzly bear standing on a rocky outcrop. Above the shield is a crown with four maple leaves. A banner at the bottom of the shield contains the motto "A NE FOR A'".

Agenda Item 3

Minute

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FALKIRK COUNCIL

**Minute of meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held remotely on
Wednesday 3 November 2021 at 10.00 a.m.**

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

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

CL36. Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 14.2 (i), Councillor Hughes advised of a variation to the order of business from that detailed on the agenda for the meeting. The following items have been recorded in the order that they were taken.

CL37. Apologies

There were no apologies.

CL38. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

CL39. Minute

The minute of Meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held on 28 September 2021 was approved.

CL40. List of Applications Granted Under Delegated Powers during September 2021 and Notifications of Public Processions Pending

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer detailing applications granted under delegated powers during September 2021 and notifications of public processions pending in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Decision

The committee noted the report.

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 to Vary a Taxi Operator Licence

Mr M was not in attendance.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application to vary a Taxi Operator Licence.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

Decision

The committee granted the application to vary the taxi operator licence as applied for with a condition that the new vehicle complies with Euro 6 standards for exhaust emissions.

CL43. Application for the Grant of a New Taxi Driver Licence

The applicant, Mr M joined the meeting along with his representative Mr B.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a new Taxi Driver Licence.

Mr M and Mr B spoke in support of the application.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee agreed to give the applicant a final opportunity to take and pass the knowledge test, and should the applicant fail the knowledge test, to authorise the Chief Governance Officer to refuse to grant the TAXI DRIVER licence without further reference to Committee.

Should the applicant pass the knowledge test, to instruct officers to arrange for the applicant to undertake a medical; and should he fail the medical to remit the matter back to Committee for consideration; should the applicant pass both tests, to authorise the Chief Governance Officer to grant the TAXI DRIVER licence;

CL44. Application for the Grant of a New Taxi Operator Licence

The applicant, Mr P joined the meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a new Taxi Operator Licence.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee granted the new taxi operator licence.

CL45. Application for a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence

The applicant, Mr F was not in attendance.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for a new Private Hire Car Driver Licence.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

Decision

The committee refused to grant the PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, Section 5 (3) (d) on the ground that there is other good reason for refusing the application.

CL46. Application for a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence

The applicant, Mr B was not in attendance.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for a new Private Hire Car Driver Licence.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

Decision

The committee refused to grant the PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, Section 5 (3) (d) on the ground that there is other good reason for refusing the application.

CL47. Application for the Grant of a New Taxi Driver Licence

The applicant, Mr C joined the meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a new Taxi Driver Licence.

Mr C spoke in support of the application.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee agreed to give the applicant opportunities to take and pass the knowledge test, and should the applicant fail the knowledge test, to authorise the Chief Governance Officer to refuse to grant the TAXI DRIVER licence without further reference to Committee; Should the applicant pass the knowledge test, to instruct officers to arrange for the applicant to undertake a medical; and should he fail the medical to remit the matter back to Committee for consideration; should the applicant pass both tests, to authorise the Chief Governance Officer to grant the TAXI DRIVER licence;