PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL LICENSING COMMITTEE 10 JANUARY 2019

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Thursday 10 January 2019 at 9.30am.

Present: Councillors C Ahern (Convener), K Baird, A Coates, D Illingworth, A Parrott, F Sarwar and M Williamson.

In Attendance: PC C Forbes (Police Scotland); K Spalding (Housing and Environment); M McLaren, D Merchant, S Michie and D Williams (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors B Brawn, R Brock, I James, A Jarvis, J Rebbeck, and R Watters.

Councillor C Ahern (Convener), Presiding.

5. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were noted as above.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

7. MINUTES

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of 15 November 2018 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

8. TAXI AND PRIVATE HIRE DRIVERS' KNOWLEDGE TEST

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/1) seeking approval for the introduction of a knowledge test for Private Hire Car Drivers' and Taxi Car Drivers'.

Resolved:

The Committee agreed:

- (i) That the Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver knowledge test be introduced from 11 January 2019.
- (ii) The fee for new applications received from 11 January 2019 for a Taxi/Private is increased by £30.

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9. VARIATION OF CONDITION 7 OF A STREET TRADERS LICENCE NO. ST375

This item of business was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

10. GRANT OF A STREET TRADERS LICENCE NO. ST375

This item of business was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

11. GRANT OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE (1 YEAR) NO. TD1816 – 1 YEAR.

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/4) together with a letter dated 16 November 2018 from Police Scotland regarding Continued Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No. TD1816.

The applicant was in attendance.

The representative of Police Scotland addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. The applicant also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No. TD1816 be not granted.

12. RENEWAL OF A LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE – 3 YEARS NO. LH120

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/5) together with a letter of representation dated 23 November 2018 from Police Scotland regarding Renewal of a Late Hours Catering Licence – 3 Years No. LH120.

The applicant was in attendance.

Resolved:

Consideration of Renewal of a Late Hours Catering Licence – 3 Years No. LH120 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee scheduled to take place on Thursday 21 February 2019.

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13. GRANT OF A WINDOW CLEANERS LICENCE - 3 YEARS NO. WC320

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/6) together with a letter of representation dated 27 November 2018 from Police Scotland regarding Grant of a Window Cleaners Licence – 3 Years No. WC320.

The applicant was in attendance, along with a perspective employer.

Resolved:

Window Cleaners Licence Licence WC320 be granted for a period of 3 years with effect from 10 January 2018.

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