LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, 2 High Street, Perth, on Monday 8 January 2024 at 1:00pm.

Present: Bailie M Williamson and Councillor I Macpherson, Bailie R Brock, Councillors K Allan, H Anderson, B Brawn, S Carr, A Chan, M Frampton, K Harvey, G Stewart and W Robertson.

In Attendance: M McLaren, S Michie, D Rankine, K Engelberts, J Guild, R Ramsay and M Pasternak, (all Corporate and Democratic Services), M Simpson (Police Scotland)

Apologies for Absence: Councillor C Reid.

Bailie M Williamson, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all present to the meeting. An apology for absence was noted as above.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors Code of Conduct Bailie R Brock declared a non-financial interest in Item 4.

3. MINUTES

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of 13 November 2023, was submitted and approved as a correct record.

HAVING DECLARED AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, BAILIE R BROCK LEFT THE CHAMBERS AT THIS POINT

4. GRANT OF A SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – PROVISIONAL LICENCE PK11074P

There was submitted a report by the Strategic Lead, Legal and Governance Services (24/1) along with a letter of objection, in relation to Grant of a Short Term Let Licence – Provisional Licence No. PK11074P.

Mr and Mrs Whitehead, objectors to the application, attended the meeting, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

Mr Roberts, applicant, attended the meeting, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Application for Short Term Let Licence – Provisional Licence No. PK11074P, be granted for a period of one year, subject to a condition that the garden and hot tub are not to be used beyond 10pm for socialising or playing music.

BAILIE R BROCK RETURNED TO THE CHAMBERS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS

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.

P1. GRANT OF A SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – PROVISIONAL LICENCE PK11347N

There was submitted a report by the Strategic Lead, Legal and Governance Services (24/2) along with a letter of objection, in relation to Grant of a Short Term Let Licence – Provisional Licence No. PK11347N.

Mrs Fiona McLean-Foreman, applicant, attended the meeting, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

Mr Clumpas, objector, was not present.

Resolved:

Application of a Short Term Let Licence – Provisional Licence Number PK11347N), be granted.

P2. SUSPENSION OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER LICENCE - TD2214

There was submitted a report by the Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/3) together with a request for suspension dated 28 November 2023 from Police Scotland, regarding Taxi Driver Licence TD2214.

The representative of Police Scotland addressed the Committee, there were no questions from Members.

The applicant also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Motion by Bailie M Williamson and Councillor I MacPherson

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence TD2214, be not suspended.

Amendment by Councillors K Allan and B Brawn

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence TD2214, be suspended for a period of one week.

In terms of Standing Order 21, a roll call was taken:

9 Members voted for the Motion as follows: Councillors H Anderson, S Carr, A Chan, M Frampton, K Harvey, I MacPherson, W Robertson, G Stewart and Bailie M Williamson.

3 Members voted for the Amendment as follows: Councillors K Allan, B Brawn and Bailie R Brock.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

P3. RENEWAL OF A WINDOW CLEANER LICENCE – WC373

There was submitted a report by the Strategic Lead - Legal and Governance (24/4) together with a letter of representation dated 10 November 2023 from Police Scotland, regarding Renewal of a Window Cleaner Licence WC373.

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:

Window Cleaner Licence WC373, be renewed for a period of one year.