

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
LICENSING COMMITTEE
3 OCTOBER 2019

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Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Thursday 3 October 2019 at 11.00am.

Present: Councillors C Ahern (Convener), D Illingworth, K Baird, R Brock, A Coates (up to and including Art. 508), R McCall and M Williamson.

In Attendance: PC K Chalmers and PC L Gregge (both Police Scotland); D Gilikison, M McLaren, S Michie and D Williams (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors A Parrott, J Rebbeck, F Sarwar and R Watters.

Councillor C Ahern (Convener), Presiding.

504. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

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

505. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct Councillor A Coates declared a non-financial interest in Art. 509.

506. MINUTES

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of 22 August 2019 (Arts. 403-409) was submitted and approved as a correct record.

507. GRANT OF TAXI OPERATOR LICENCE NO. X29

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/281) regarding Grant of Taxi Operator Licence No. X29.

The applicant was in attendance.

The applicant addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Grant of Taxi Operator Licence No. X29, be refused.

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.

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508. SUSPENSION OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER LICENCE NO. TD1247

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/282) together with a letter of representation dated 16 July 2019 from Police Scotland regarding Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No. TD1247.

At its meeting of 22 August 2019, the Licensing Committee deferred consideration of Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1247 to the meeting of the Licensing Committee on 3 October 2019.

The licence holder failed to attend.

Resolved:

Consideration of Suspension of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1247 be deferred to the meeting of the Licensing Committee on 14 November 2019.

HAVING PREVIOUSLY DECLARED AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, COUNCILLOR A COATES LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

509. RENEWAL OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER LICENCE NO. TD1520

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal and Governance Services (19/283) together with (1) a letter of objection dated 11 June 2019 from Police Scotland; (2) a letter of objection dated 22 October 2018 from Police Scotland, relating to the consideration of Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No TD1520 considered at the meeting Licensing Committee of 15 November 2018; and (3) a copy of the minute of the Licensing Committee of 15 November 2018, including the decision taken regarding the Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No TD1520.

At its meeting of 11 July 2019, the Licensing Committee deferred consideration of Suspension of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1520 to the meeting of the Licensing Committee on 3 October 2019.

The applicant was in attendance.

The representatives of Police Scotland addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1520 be granted for a period of one year with effect from 13 May 2019.

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