LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, 2 High Street, Perth, on Monday 20 May 2024 at 1.00am.

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

In Attendance: K Engelberts, M McLaren S Michie, D Rankin, A Taylor, A Brown and M Pasternak (all Strategy, People and Resources).

Also in attendance: K Thomson-Craig and D Smith, Police Scotland

Apologies: 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 M Williamson declared a non-financial interest in Item 4 and took no part in the discussion.

3. MINUTE OF MEETING OF LICENSING COMMITTEE OF 16 APRIL 2024 FOR APPROVAL

Minute of meeting of Licensing Committee of Licensing Committee of 16 April 2024 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

HAVING PREVIOUSLY DECLARED AN INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, BAILIE M WILLIAMSON WITHDREW FROM THE CHAMBER WITH VICE-CONVENER I MACPHERSON TAKING ON THE ROLE OF CHAIR.

4. GRANT OF PUBLIC ENTARTAINMENT LICENCE PE441

There was submitted a report by Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/154) along with one letter of objection in relation to Grant of Public Entertainment Licence PF411.

Mr G Howie, the applicant, along with Mr L Storey (Head of Operations at LHG Productions) and R Lyle on behalf of the Safety Advisory Group, attended the meeting, addressed the Committee, and answered Members' questions.

Mr Moir, objector was not present at the meeting.

Resolved:

The application for a public entertainment licence by Heartland Festival Ltd for an outdoor music festival at Pitlochry Recreation Ground, Pitlochry, be approved, subject to Table 3 of the conditions as set out in Appendix 1 to Report 24/154 being amended to state the parking area remain open until midnight on Sunday 30 June 2024.

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.

HAVING RETURNED TO THE CHAMBERS, BAILIE WILLIAMSON RE-TOOK THE CHAIR.

THE COMMITTEE AGREED TO VARY ORDER OF THE BUSINESS TO TAKE ITEM P3 AT THIS POINT.

P3. SUSPENSION OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER LICENCE TD1184

There was submitted a report by Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/157) together with a letter from Police Scotland dated 28 March 2024 regarding Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence TD1184.

The applicant was in attendance via telephone.

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.

Motion by Bailie M Williamson and Councillor W Robertson

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1184, be suspended for the unexpired portion of the duration of the licence.

Amendment by Councillors M Frampton and B Brawn

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1184, be revoked.

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

7 Members voted for the Motion as follows:

Bailies M Williamson and R Brock, Councillors H Anderson, S Carr, K Harvey, I MacPherson and W Robertson

5 Members voted for the Amendment as follows: Councillors K Allan, B Brawn, A Chan, M Frampton and G Stewart.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

P1. GRANT OF A SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – PROVISIONAL LICENCE NO. PK12209P

There was submitted a report by Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/155) along with a letter of representation from Police Scotland dated 8 March 2024 regarding Grant of a Short Term Let Licence – Provisional Licence PK12209P.

The applicants, along with their legal representative were in attendance.

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

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Resolved:

The application of a Short-Term Let Licence (Provision Licence No. PK12209P) at 50 Kinnoull Street, Perth, PH1 5EZ, be granted for a period of three years, subject to the inclusion of the additional conditions provided by Police Scotland in their letter of representation dated 8 March 2024.

P2. GRANT OF A SHORT TERM LET LICENCE – NEW OPERATION – LOCHVIEW, LOCH VIEW, WESTER ESSENDY, BLAIRGOWRIE PH10 6RD

There was submitted a report by Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/156) along with a letter of objection from Police Scotland dated 12 January 2024 regarding Grant of a Short Term Let Licence – New Operation – Lochview, Loch View, Wester Essendy, Blairgowrie, PH10 6RD.

The applicants, along with their legal representative were in attendance.

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

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Resolved:

The application of a Short-Term Let Licence (New Operation) at Lochview, Loch View, Wester Essendy, Blairgowrie, PH10 6RD, be refused due to the potential risk to public safety.

P4. SUSPENSION OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER LICENCE - TD1661

There was submitted a report by Strategic Lead – Legal and Governance (24/158) together with a letter from Police Scotland dated 18 January 2024 regarding Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence TD1661.

The applicant and a legal representative were in attendance.

The representative of Police Scotland addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. The applicant's legal representative 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 No. TD1661, be suspended for the unexpired portion of the duration of the licence.

Amendment by Councillors W Robertson and K Harvey

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver Licence No. TD1661, be suspended for a period of one month from today's date.

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

10 Members voted for the Motion as follows:

Bailies M Williamson and R Brock, Councillors K Allan, H Anderson, B Brawn, S Carr, A Chan, M Frampton, I MacPherson and G Stewart.

2 Members voted for the Amendment, as follows: Councillor K Harvey and W Robertson.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion

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