

Minute

Licensing Committee

Wednesday, 27 May 2026, 10:30.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors Duncan A Tullock, Alexander G Cowie, Steven B Heddle and Owen Tierney.

Present via remote link (Microsoft Teams)

Councillors Rachael A King and Gwenda M Shearer.

Clerk

- Katy Russell-Duff, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Karen Bevilacqua, Service Manager (Legal Services).
- Lillian Rendall, Legal Clerk.
- Lindsay Whitten, Licensing Officer.

In Attendance via remote link (Microsoft Teams)

Police Scotland:

- Sergeant Sarah Paterson

Observing

- Alistair Mateer, Work Experience Student.

Apologies

- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

1. Appointment of Vice Chair

The Chair called for nominations for the post of Vice Chair of the Licensing Committee, and the Committee:

Resolved that Councillor David Dawson be appointed Vice Chair of the Licensing Committee.

2. Exclusion of Public

On the motion of Councillor Duncan A Tullock, seconded by Councillor Alexander G Cowie, the Committee resolved that the public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting, as the business to be considered involved the disclosure of exempt information of the classes described in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

3. Taxi Operator's Licences

Representatives of the licence holder were present during consideration of this item, both in person and via Microsoft Teams.

Under section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the public had been excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Service Manager (Legal Services), the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers, what action should be taken with regard to various taxi operator's licences.

The above constitutes the summary of the Minute in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 section 50C(2) as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

4. Application for Grant of Taxi Operator's Licence

Representatives of the applicant were present during consideration of this item, both in person and via Microsoft Teams.

Under section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the public had been excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Service Manager (Legal Services), the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers, what action should be taken with regard to an application for grant of a taxi operator's licence.

The above constitutes the summary of the Minute in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 section 50C(2) as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

5. Conclusion of Meeting

At 11:00 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: Duncan A Tullock.