

Minute

Licensing Committee

Thursday, 6 January 2022, 10:30.

Microsoft Teams.



Present

Councillors Duncan A Tullock, Barbara Foulkes, Alexander G Cowie, Norman R Craigie, Robin W Crichton, Steven B Heddle, J Harvey Johnston and Owen Tierney.

Clerk

- Angela Kingston, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Gavin Mitchell, Head of Legal Services.
- Elaine Sinclair, Legal Clerk.

Police Scotland:

- Sergeant Katy Duncan.

Observing

- Lillian Rendall, Legal Clerk.

Declarations of Interest

- Councillor Norman R Craigie – Item 4.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton – Item 4.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle – Item 4.

Chair

- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

1. Suspension of Standing Orders

The Committee **suspended Standing Order 8.11** to enable members to participate in the meeting from a remote location, as a party had the right to be heard in person or through a representative and the decision to be made was as a result of a quasi-judicial or regulatory hearings process, such as a planning application or an appeal.

2. Form of Voting

The Committee resolved that, should a vote be required in respect of the matters to be considered at this meeting, notwithstanding Standing Order 21.4, the form of voting should be by calling the roll (recorded vote).

Councillor Owen Tierney joined the meeting at this point.

3. Disclosure of Exempt Information

The Committee noted the proposal that the public be excluded from the meeting for Item 4, as the business to be discussed involved the potential 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.

4. Taxi Driver's Licence

Councillor Robin W Crichton declared a non-financial interest in this item, being the holder of a taxi driver's licence, but concluded that his interest did not preclude his involvement in the discussion.

Councillors Norman R Craigie and Steven B Heddle declared non-financial interests in this item, in that the licence holder was known to them, and left the meeting at this point.

On the motion of Councillor Duncan A Tullock, seconded by Councillor Alexander G Cowie, the Committee resolved that the public be 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 Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

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

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers, what action should be taken with regard to a taxi driver'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 10:53 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: Duncan A Tullock.