

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of special meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 19 April 2022

Chair:

Councillor David Shearer

Councillors Present:

Councillor John Bradley, Councillor Andy Carmichael, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Mark Horsham, Councillor Richard Lockhart, Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Julia Marrs (Depute), Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Colin McGavigan, Councillor Jim McGuigan, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Mary Donnelly, Councillor Grant Ferguson, Councillor Alistair Fulton, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor Martin Grant Hose, Councillor Martin Lennon, Councillor Kenny McCreary, Councillor Mark McGeever, Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor John Ross (ex officio), Councillor Bert Thomson

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer; G Mays, Legal Services' Adviser; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

3 Exclusion of Press and Public

The Committee decided:

that, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it was likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information in terms of Paragraph 14 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

4 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Consideration of Suspension or Revocation of Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No 167

A report dated 6 April 2022 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted:-

- ♦ advising on action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), in view of the timescales involved and a serious threat to public order or safety, by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to order the immediate suspension of private hire car driver's licence No 167, with effect from 21 March 2022

- ♦ proposing that consideration be given to whether private hire car driver's licence No 167 should be suspended or revoked

In terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended), the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the licence holder who was not present or represented. A complaint had been received from Police Scotland.

The Committee decided:

- (1) that the action taken, in terms of Standing Order No 36(c), by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources), in consultation with the Chair and an ex officio member, to suspend private hire car driver's licence No 167, with effect from 21 March 2022, for a maximum period of 6 weeks, be noted; and
- (2) that private hire car driver's licence No 167 for the East Kilbride zone be suspended with immediate effect for the remainder of the period of licence.

Chair's Closing Remarks

The Chair:-

- ♦ thanked members and officers for their contribution in the work of the Licensing Committee over the current Council term
- ♦ expressed his best wishes for the future to those elected members who were not seeking re-election
- ♦ wished those who were seeking re-election good luck in the forthcoming Local Government Elections