LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 25 June 2019

Chair:

Councillor David Shearer

Councillors Present:

Councillor Stephanie Callaghan, Councillor Andy Carmichael, Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Mary Donnelly, Councillor Geri Gray, Councillor George Greenshields, Councillor Lynsey Hamilton, Councillor Mark Horsham, Councillor Eileen Logan, Councillor Katy Loudon, Councillor Joe Lowe, Councillor Catherine McClymont, Councillor Kenny McCreary, Councillor Mark McGeever, Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Richard Nelson, Councillor Mo Razzaq, Councillor Graham Scott (substitute for Councillor Martin Lennon), Councillor Bert Thomson

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Martin Grant Hose, Councillor Martin Lennon, Councillor Jim McGuigan, Councillor Julia Marrs (Depute), Councillor Gladys Miller, Councillor John Ross (ex officio), Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer; C McKee, Licensing and Registration Co-ordinator; G Mays, Solicitor; N Weir, Solicitor; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the meetings of the Licensing Committee held on 21 May and 4 June 2019 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

4 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 items 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.

Councillor Gray entered the meeting during this item of business

5 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) – Application for the Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence No 018

A report dated 6 June 2019 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for the renewal of taxi driver's licence No 018 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended).

In terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended), the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the applicant who was present and heard in support of his application. A representation had been received from Police Scotland and Sergeant Rankin was heard.

Councillor McClymont, seconded by Councillor Gray, moved that the application be granted. Councillor Scott, seconded by Councillor Carmichael, moved as an amendment that the application be refused. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 6 members voted for the amendment and 14 for the motion which was declared carried.

The Committee decided:

that the application by M McLoughlin, 87 Scalloway Road, Cambuslang for the renewal of taxi driver's licence No 018 in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen zone be granted.

6 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) – Application for Grant of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence

A report dated 6 June 2019 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for the grant of a private hire car driver's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended).

In terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended), the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the applicant who was present and heard in support of his application. A representation had been received from Police Scotland and Sergeant Rankin was heard.

Councillor Razzaq, seconded by Councillor Donnelly, moved that the application be granted. Councillor Thomson, seconded by Councillor Carmichael, moved as an amendment that the application be granted for a period of 1 year. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 10 members voted for the amendment and 9 for the motion. The amendment was declared carried.

The Committee decided:

that the application by P McCann, 11 Viewfield Avenue, Blantyre for a private hire car driver's licence in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen zone be granted for a period of 1 year.