

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held via Confero and in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 14 May 2024

Chair:

Councillor Andy Carmichael

Councillors Present:

Councillor Poppy Corbett, Councillor Margaret Cowie, Councillor Julia Marrs, Councillor David Shearer, Councillor Bert Thomson (Depute), Councillor Helen Toner

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Joe Fagan (ex officio), Councillor Monique McAdams, Councillor Mark McGeever

Attending:

Finance and Corporate Resources

C Lyon, Administration Officer; D McLardy, Legal Services' Adviser; L Steele, Licensing and Registration Assistant/Assistant Registrar; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 23 April 2024 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

3 Minutes of Special Meeting

The minutes of the special meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 16 April 2024 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

5 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 Paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

6 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Application for Renewal of Private Hire Car Driver's Licence No 353

A report dated 23 April 2024 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for the renewal of private hire car driver's licence No 353 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended).

At its meetings on 27 February and 23 April 2024, the Committee agreed to continue this application to a future meeting to allow the applicant the opportunity to be present with an interpreter.

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 represented by E Monaghan, Solicitor. A Abdiraham, interpreter was also present. An objection had been received from Police Scotland and Sergeant Hinshelwood was heard.

The Committee decided: that the application by A Ahmed Mohamoud, Flat 2/1, 105 Kenmure Street, Glasgow for the renewal of private hire car driver's licence No 353 in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen zone be refused.

[Reference: Minutes of 23 April 2024 (Paragraph 6)]

7 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Application for Renewal of Private Hire Car Operator's Licence No 2232

A report dated 23 April 2024 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for the renewal of private hire car operator's licence No 2232 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (as amended).

At its meetings on 27 February and 23 April 2024, the Committee agreed to continue this application to a future meeting to allow the applicant the opportunity to be present with an interpreter.

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 represented by E Monaghan, Solicitor. A Abdiraham, interpreter was also present. An objection had been received from Police Scotland and Sergeant Hinshelwood was heard.

The Committee decided: that the application by A Ahmed Mohamoud, Flat 2/1, 105 Kenmure Street, Glasgow for the renewal of private hire car operator's licence No 2232 in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen zone be refused.

[Reference: Minutes of 23 April 2024 (Paragraph 7)]

8 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Application to Vary the Terms of Public Entertainment Licence No 021

A report dated 22 April 2024 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application to vary the terms of public entertainment licence No 021 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.

The Committee decided: that the application to vary the terms of public entertainment licence No 021 be granted subject to the conditions specified by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources):-

Applicant:	Hamilton Academical Football Club (HAFC) Stadium Limited and J Thompson
Type of Licence:	Public Entertainment
Premises:	New Douglas Park, Cadzow Avenue, Hamilton
Current Activities:	Fun days including bouncy castles, marquees, fireworks, concerts, musical events, drive in cinemas, occasional fairground events and boxing matches
Proposed Activities:	Fun days including bouncy castles, marquees, fireworks, concerts, musical events, drive in cinemas, occasional fairground events, boxing matches, fan zone showing live sporting events on screen, ice rink and wrestling
Granted Activities:	Fun days including bouncy castles, marquees, fireworks, concerts, musical events, drive in cinemas, occasional fairground events, boxing matches, fan zone showing live sporting events on screen, ice rink and wrestling

9 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (As Amended) - Application for Short Term Let Licence

A report dated 25 April 2024 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a short term let 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 represented by N Hassard, Solicitor.

A petition dated 31 October 2024 had been received from local residents objecting to the application. Additional correspondence had been received from some of the petitioners advising that, with certain conditions agreed with the applicant, they were happy to withdraw their objections. The Legal Services' Adviser also intimated that one petitioner had advised that he wished his objection to remain, and the remaining petitioners had not responded.

Following discussion, members agreed that there was no need to attach any additional conditions to the licence.

The Committee decided: that the application for a short term let licence be granted subject to the conditions specified by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources):-

Applicant:	H Bond
Type of Licence:	Short term let
Premises:	18 Lethame Road, Strathaven
Category:	Secondary letting
Occupancy:	7 to 10 Persons