

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9.00am, Tuesday 20 November 2018

Present

Councillors Fullerton (Convener), Jim Campbell (substituting for Councillor Mitchell), Dixon, Griffiths (substituting for Councillor Wilson), Perry (substituting for Councillor Arthur), Rose, Neil Ross, Smith and Staniforth (substituting for Councillor Burgess from item B6.1.4 onwards).

1. Resolution to Consider in Private

The Sub-Committee, agreed under Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the public from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 3, 6, 12 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

2. Police Requests for Suspension or Revocation of Licences

The Sub-Committee considered requests by the Chief Constable to suspend or revoke six licences.

Decision

To determine the requests as detailed in the Confidential Schedule, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

(Reference – report by the Regulatory Services Manager, submitted)

3. Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence

On 6 February 2018 the Regulatory Committee had agreed to amend its policy regarding existing taxi and private hire car drivers who were unable to obtain the relevant criminal convictions check to apply for a licence renewal.

The Sub-Committee considered a request for renewal of a taxi driver's licence. The applicant had been unable to provide a certificate and was therefore referred to the committee to determine whether the application should be treated as an exemption to policy.

Decision

To determine the request as detailed in the Confidential Schedule, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

(References – Regulatory Committee 6 February 2018 (item 1); report by the Regulatory Services Manager, submitted)

4. Applications for Miscellaneous Licences – Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

Details were provided of 16 applications for miscellaneous licences. The applicants and their agents were heard.

Decision

To determine the applications as detailed in the Confidential Schedule, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

(Reference – list of applications, submitted)

5. Applications to Vary the Conditions of Taxi or Private Hire Car Licences: Exemption to Policy

The Regulatory Committee had agreed to amend its policy and licensing conditions regarding the age and emissions standards of licensed vehicles in Edinburgh's Taxi and Private Hire Car fleet at its meeting on 16 March 2018.

Ten requests had been received for exemptions to this policy. The licence holders and relevant Council officers were heard.

Decision

To determine the requests as detailed in the Confidential Schedule, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

(References – Regulatory Committee 16 March 2018 (item 1); report by the Regulatory Services Manager, submitted)