

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9.00am, Tuesday 5 February 2019

Present

Councillors Fullerton (Convener), Dixon, Doran (substituting for Councillor Wilson for items 1 to 3), Griffiths (substituting for Councillor Arthur), Mitchell, Mowat (substituting for Councillor Smith), Perry (substituting for Councillor Wilson from item 4 onwards), Rose, Neil Ross and Staniforth (substituting for Councillor Burgess).

1. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 – to consider miscellaneous applications

Details were provided of an application for a miscellaneous licence. The applicant was heard.

Decision

To determine the application as detailed in the Appendix to this minute.

(Reference – list of applications, submitted)

2. 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.

3. Request for Suspension or Revocation of Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request by the Executive Director of Place to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Car Driver Licence.

Decision

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

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

4. Request to Recall a Suspension of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request to recall a suspension of Private Hire Car Driver's Licence.

Decision

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

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

5. 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 licence.

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)

6. Application for Renewal of Private Hire Car 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 private hire car driver licence.

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)

7. Application for Renewal of Private Hire Car 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 private hire car driver licence.

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)

8. Application for New Taxi Licence

On 16 March 2018 the Regulatory Committee had agreed to maintain the limitation policy and to fix the number of available taxi licences at 1,316.

On 7 January 2019 the Regulatory Committee considered the Interim Demand Survey and agreed that there was presently no significant unmet demand for taxis in the city and therefore would maintain the limit of 1,316 taxis licensed in the city.

The Sub-Committee considered a request for a new Taxi Licence.

Decision

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

(References – Regulatory Committee 16 March 2018 (item 7); Regulatory Committee 7 January 2019 (item 6); report by the Regulatory Services Manager, submitted)

9. Application for New Taxi Licence

On 16 March 2018 the Regulatory Committee had agreed to maintain the limitation policy and to fix the number of available taxi licences at 1,316.

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The Sub-Committee considered a request for a new Taxi Licence.

Decision

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

(References – Regulatory Committee 16 March 2018 (item 7); Regulatory Committee 7 January 2019 (item 6); report by the Regulatory Services Manager, submitted)

10. Request to refuse application for entry onto the Landlord Register

The Sub-Committee considered a request by the Executive Director of Place to refuse an application for entry onto the Landlord Register.

Decision

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

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

11. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – To consider miscellaneous applications

Details were provided of 12 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)

APPENDIX

Applications for Miscellaneous Licences

Booking Office Licence (Renewal)		
3.1.1	Scott Minicabs Ltd Muhammad Latif Bhatti 2 Alnwickhill Grove, Edinburgh	To GRANT the licence subject to the standard conditions for this category of licence and an additional condition of parking for 2 vehicles only.