

Minutes

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

2.30pm, Tuesday 10 September 2019

Present

Councillors Fullerton (Convener), Dixon (Vice-Convener), Mitchell (items 1 and 2), Rae (items 1 and 2), Rose (items 1 and 2) and Neil Ross.

1. Parades and Processions: School Strike for Climate Change 20 September 2019

On 19 August 2019, the Sub-Committee had considered a notification of a parade from School Strike for Climate planned to take place on 20 September 2019. The route proposed by the organisers included the High Street and Princes Street.

The Sub-Committee had agreed to continue consideration of the matter to this meeting to allow Council officers to have further discussions with the organisers about the proposed route.

Updated information was provided to members by the Executive Director of Place together with a recommendation for an alternative proposed route for the march as set out in paragraph 3.6 of the report.

Council licensing and public safety officers, Police Scotland and the organisers were heard in relation to the matter.

Motion

To make an Order under Section 63(1) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 in respect of the proposed Scottish Youth Climate Strike parade on 20 September 2019, to proceed along the alternative route set out in paragraph 3.6 of the report by the Executive Director of Place, namely: Meadows, Forrest Road, George IV Bridge, High Street, Canongate, Horse Wynd and finishing at the Scottish Parliament and imposing the following additional conditions:

- 1) The parade shall be prohibited from proceeding onto Princes Street;
- 2) The parade shall proceed in accordance with the times set out in the Notice of Proposal (11am start, 3pm finish);

- 3) The organiser will adhere to the recommendations of the Events Planning and Operations Group;
- 4) The standard conditions for parades, set out in appendix 2 of the report by the Council's Executive Director of Place shall be adhered to.

- moved by Councillor Fullerton, seconded by Councillor Dixon

Amendment

To make an Order in respect of the proposed School Strike for Climate Change on 20 September 2019 to proceed along the route set out in the notice of proposal submitted by the organisers as set out in Appendix 1a of the report by the Executive Director of Place namely: Middle Meadow, Forrest Road, George IV Bridge, The Mound, Princes Street, North Bridge, Royal Mile and finishing at the Scottish Parliament and imposing the following additional conditions:

- 1) The parade shall proceed in accordance with the times set out in the Notice of Proposal (11am start, 3pm finish);
- 2) The organiser will adhere to the recommendations of the Events Planning and Operations Group;
- 3) The standard conditions for parades, set out in appendix 2 of the report by the Council's Executive Director of Place shall be adhered to.

- moved by Councillor Rae, seconded by Councillor Neil Ross

Voting

For the motion - 4 votes
For the amendment - 2 votes

(For the motion – Councillors Dixon, Fullerton, Mitchell and Rose.
For the amendment – Councillors Rae and Neil Ross.)

Decision

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(References – Licensing Sub-Committee 19 August 2019 (item 2); report by the Regulatory Services Manager, 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 7(A) of the Act.

3. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of a Private Hire Car Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request by Police Scotland 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. 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.

16 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 Schedules, signed by the Convener, with reference to this minute.

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