

Minutes

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9:30am, Tuesday 13 August 2024

Present

Councillors Mowat (Convener), Caldwell, Graham, Mattos-Coelho, Ross and Watt (Substituting for Councillor Walker).

1. Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence – Alistair Lawrie

The Sub-Committee considered a request for suspension of a Taxi Driver's Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services was heard.

Decision

To **CONTINUE** consideration of the application to the September meeting of the Licensing Sub-Committee to allow the applicant to attend, and to clarify whether he has lodged an application to renew his licence.

(Reference – report by the Head of Regulatory Services, submitted)

2. Application 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 licenced vehicles in Edinburgh's Taxi and Private Hire Car fleet at its meeting on 16 March 2018.

A request was received for an exemption to this policy. The applicant (Prospect Taxis LTD), and relevant Council officers were heard.

Decision

To **VARY** the licence conditions to allow an exemption to policy for a period of one year until 14 October 2025.

Dissent

In accordance with Standing Order 22.14, Councillor Graham requested that her dissent to the above decision be recorded.

(Reference – Regulatory Committee 16 March 2018 (item 1); report by the Head of Regulatory Services, submitted)

3. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and Housing (Scotland) Act 2006– Applications for Miscellaneous Licences

Details were provided of 4 applications for miscellaneous licences. The applicants and their agents were heard.

Decision

To determine the applications as detailed in the Appendix 1 to this minute.

(Reference – Appendix 1, submitted.)

4. 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 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.

5. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and Housing (Scotland) Act 2006– Applications for Miscellaneous Licences

Details were provided of 9 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.

6. Private Hire Vehicle Driver Licence (New)

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence. The Applicant, Head of Regulatory Services and Police Scotland were heard.

Decision

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

7. Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence (New)

The Sub-Committee considered a request for a Taxi Driver's Licence. The Applicant, Head of Regulatory Services were heard.

Decision

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

APPENDIX 1

Applications for Miscellaneous Licences

Short Term Lets Licence (New)		
4.1	Applicant Kathleen Amanda Slaney Premises 4f2, 42 Sandport Street Edinburgh	To CONTINUE Consideration of the application to the September Licensing Sub-Committee to allow the applicant to attend
4.2	Applicant Markus Stitz Premises 11 Hawthornbank Terrace Edinburgh	1) To GRANT the licence for a period of three years subject to the Council's standard conditions for this category of licence. 2) To note the undertaking from the applicant that guests would be prohibited from
4.3	Applicant Zahid Rahman Premises Flat 1, 7 Forth Street Edinburgh	To CONTINUE Consideration of the application to the September Licensing Sub-Committee to allow the applicant to attend
4.4	Applicant Sukvinder Singh Premises 32 Portland Street Edinburgh	To CONTINUE Consideration of the application to the September Licensing Sub-Committee to allow the applicant to attend
End of Business		