

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9.30am, Tuesday 9 March 2021

Present

Councillors Fullerton (Convener), Dixon (Vice-Convener), Arthur (for items 4.2(3, 4 and 6), Mitchell, Mowat, Rae, Neil Ross, Rose and Wilson.

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. Applications for Renewal of Taxi or Private Hire Driver's Licences – Use of Delegated Powers

Applications for the renewal of Taxi or Private Hire Driver's Licences had been received by the Licensing Service. The applicants had been unable to provide a criminal convictions certificate. These applications would normally be referred to the Sub-Committee to determine whether the applications should be treated as an exemption to policy.

The Executive Director of Place intended to deal with these applications under delegated powers and sought agreement to do so.

Decision

To agree that the Executive Director of Place deal with the three applications appended to the report, and any future similar applications for renewal of Taxi/PHC Driver licences under delegated powers.

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

3. Police Requests for Suspension or Revocation of Licences

The Sub-Committee considered requests by Police Scotland to suspend or revoke one Taxi Driver Licence, five Private Hire Car Driver Licences and five Private Hire Car Licences. Police Scotland, the licence holders and agents were heard.

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)