

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9.30am, Monday 9 January 2023

Present

Councillors Mowat (Convener), Booth (substituting for Councillor Rae), Dixon, Dalglish, Mattos Coelho, Osler (substituting for Councillor Caldwell) and Neil Ross.

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. Application for Renewal of Taxi Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered an application for renewal of a Taxi Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland and the licence holder's agent were heard.

Decision

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

(References – Licensing Sub-Committee 28 June 2022 and 19 December 2022; report by the Head of Regulatory Services, submitted)

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

The Sub-Committee considered a request by the Head of Regulatory Services to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services and Police Scotland were heard.

Decision

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

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

4. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of Private Hire Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request from Police Scotland to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holder and his agent were heard.

Decision

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

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

5. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of Private Hire Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request from Police Scotland to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holder and his agent were heard.

Decision

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

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

6. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of Private Hire Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request from Police Scotland to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holder and his agent were heard.

Decision

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

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

7. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of Private Hire Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request from Police Scotland to suspend or revoke a Private Hire Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holder and his agent were heard.

Decision

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

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

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

Details were provided of 6 applications for miscellaneous licences. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holders, applicants and their agents were heard.

Decision

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

(Reference – list of applications, submitted)

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

19 requests had been received for exemptions to this policy. The licence holders, agents 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.

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