

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9:30am, Friday 10 February 2023

Present

Councillors Mowat (Convener), Caldwell (excluding items 4, 5 and 7), Dixon, Dalglish (excluding items 4), Fullerton (excluding items 4 and 5), Mattos Coelho and Neil Ross.

1. Application for Grant of Booking Office Licence - Intercity Management Ltd

The Sub-Committee considered an application for grant of a Booking Office Licence at New Street Car Park submitted by Intercity Management Ltd. Relevant Council officers had met with the applicant to discuss the application and the proposal to add local conditions to the licence. The Head of Regulatory Services and the applicant were heard.

Decision

- 1) To note the report and that no objections had been received.
- 2) To grant the application subject to the mandatory conditions for this type of licence and the additional conditions set out in Appendix 3 of the report by the Head of Regulatory Services.

(References – Licensing Sub-Committee 28 June 2022 (item ..); report by the Head of Regulatory Services, 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. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of a 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, Police Scotland and the Licence Holder 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 a 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, 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.

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

5. Police Request for Suspension or Revocation of a 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, 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.

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

6. Request for Immediate Suspension of a Taxi Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request by the Head of Regulatory Services to suspend or revoke a Taxi Driver Licence. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland and the Licence Holder 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. Request for Immediate Suspension of a Taxi Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request by the Head of Regulatory Services to suspend or revoke 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.

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

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Caldwell declared a non-financial interest as he had previous knowledge of the circumstances of the case, left the meeting and took no part in the decision on the matter.

8. Applications to Grant or Renew Taxi or Private Hire Driver Licences

Details were provided of 2 applications to grant or renew Taxi or Private Hire Driver Licences. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland and the licence holders 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 Head of Regulatory Services, 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.

8 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)