

Licensing Sub-Committee of the Regulatory Committee

9:30am, Tuesday 12 September 2023

Present

Councillors Mowat (Convener), Caldwell (items 1-5 (applications 10-32), Dixon (items 1-5 (applications 10-32), Graham (items 1-5 (applications 1-9), Mattos-Coehlo (items 1-4), Rae (item 4 (application 3)) and Ross (item 4-5 (applications 1-9)).

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. Request for Suspension of Private Hire Driver Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request 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)

3. Application for Variation of Taxi Vehicle Licence

The Sub-Committee considered a request to vary a Taxi Vehicle 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. Applications to Grant or Renew Taxi Driver Licences and Private Hire Driver Licences

Details were provided of 3 applications to grant or renew Taxi Driver and Private Hire Driver Licences. The Head of Regulatory Services, Police Scotland, the licence holders, applicants, and agents were heard.

Decision

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

5. 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)