

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth, on Tuesday 18 December 2007 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors P Mulheron, J Coburn and D Melloy.

In Attendance: Chief Inspector H Macpherson (Tayside Police); C White and M Baker (Corporate Services); and Y Oliver (Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors J Flynn, W Robertson, D Scott and H Stewart.

Councillor P Mulheron, Convener, Presiding.

771. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

772. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of 7 November 2007 (Arts. 647-661) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

773. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TEMPORARY SKIN PIERCING AND TATTOOING LICENCE – SP 31

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/850) regarding consideration of application for grant of a temporary Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence SP31.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence SP31 be granted for three months with effect from 18 December 2007, to allow the applicant to commence trading during consideration of his planning application.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973

774. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD526

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/824) together with letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 8 November 2007, regarding consideration of application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD526.

The applicant was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. A representative of the Chief Constable also answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD526 be granted for one year, with effect from 22 August 2007, with the additional licence condition that the applicant attend the Vernon Manfield Driver Awareness Course.

775. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD882

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/825) together with letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 21 November 2007, regarding consideration of application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD882.

The applicant, accompanied by Mr H Anderson, was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. A representative of the Chief Constable also answered Members' questions.

THE COMMITTEE ADJOURNED TO DISCUSS THE REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED.

THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD882 be granted for one year, with effect from 18 December 2007, with the additional licence condition that the applicant attend the Vernon Manfield Driver Awareness course. The applicant was directed to supply a copy of his driving licence showing entitlement to drive public service vehicles or certificate of same to the Licensing section within seven days from this date (18 December 2007).

776. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD563

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/826) together with letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 6 November 2007, regarding consideration of application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD563.

The applicant was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. A representative of the Chief Constable also answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD563 be granted for three years, with effect from 18 December 2007, with the additional licence condition that the applicant attend the Vernon Manfield Driver Awareness course.

777. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD568

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/827) together with letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 21 November 2007, regarding consideration of application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD568.

The applicant, who was accompanied by Mr J Dalgleish, his employer, was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. A representative of the Chief Constable also answered Members' questions.

THE COMMITTEE ADJOURNED TO DISCUSS THE REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED.

THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD568 be granted for one year, with effect from 18 December 2007, with the additional licence condition that the applicant attend the Vernon Manfield Driver Awareness course.

An amendment by Councillor D Melloy to grant the application for six months, subject to the applicant attending the Vernon Manfield course, failed to secure a seconder and the amendment accordingly fell.

778. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PRIVATE HIRE CAR OPERATOR'S LICENCE – PH154 AND TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD553

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/828) regarding consideration of application for grant of Private Hire Car Operator's Licence PH154 and Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD553.

The Committee was advised that the applicant had requested that the application be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 9 January 2008.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Private Hire Car Operator's Licence PH154 and Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD553 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 9 January 2008.

779. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF SECOND HAND DEALER'S LICENCE – SD195

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/829) regarding consideration of application for renewal of Second Hand Dealer's Licence SD195.

The Committee was advised that the applicant had requested that the application be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 9 January 2008.

Resolved:

Application for renewal of Second Hand Dealer's Licence SD195 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 9 January 2008.

780. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD875

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/830) regarding consideration of application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD875.

The applicant was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. A representative of the Chief Constable also answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD875 be granted for one year with effect from 18 December 2007, with the additional licence condition that the applicant attend the Vernon Manfield Driver Awareness course.

781. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD161

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/831) regarding consideration of application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD161.

Resolved:

The Committee was advised that the relevant financial information required to process the application had been received from the applicant and that this item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.

782. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE – WC102

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/832) regarding consideration of application for renewal of Window Cleaner's Licence WC102.

Resolved:

The Committee was advised that the relevant financial information required to process the application had been received from the applicant and that this item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.

783. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD64

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/833) regarding consideration of application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD64.

Resolved:

The Committee was advised that the relevant financial information required to process the application had been received from the applicant and that this item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.

784. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD202

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/834) regarding consideration of application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD202.

Resolved:

The Committee was advised that the relevant financial information required to process the application had been received from the applicant and that this item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.

785. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD862

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (07/835) regarding consideration of application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD862.

Resolved:

The Committee was advised that the relevant financial information required to process the application had been received from the applicant and that this item was subsequently withdrawn from the agenda.