

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 14 October 2009 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors P Mulheron, D Scott, J Coburn and B Ellis.

In Attendance: Chief Inspector D Barclay (Tayside Police) (up to and including Art. 522); D Merchant (up to and including Art. 518), J Eodanable and L Cormack (all Corporate Services); P Frazer and Y Oliver (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors J Flynn, D Melloy and H Stewart.

Councillor P Mulheron, Convener, Presiding.

515. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

516. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of the Licensing Committee of 9 September 2009 (Arts. 449-460) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

517. REVIEW OF LICENCE FEES

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/466) recommending an increase in fees in relation to certain applications for licences for Houses in Multiple Occupation, issued under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Resolved:

An increase in fees in respect of licences for Houses in Multiple Occupation, Categories 2, 3 and 4 issued under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, be approved.

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

518. CONSIDERATION OF PRIVATE LANDLORD REGISTRATION – REGISTRATION NUMBER 120519/340/23310

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/467) regarding consideration of Private Landlord Registration 120519/340/23310.

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The applicant was in attendance, accompanied by Mr G Sutherland, her legal representative, both of whom addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. D Merchant, Licensing Officer, also answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Private Landlord Registration 120519/340/23310 be retained by virtue of the Company Secretary being found to be a fit and proper person.

D MERCHANT LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

519. GRANT OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD1005

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/468), together with letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 31 August 2009, regarding an application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1005.

The applicant was not in attendance.

Resolved:

Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1005 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 11 November 2009, to allow the applicant to attend in person.

520. GRANT OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD1004

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/469), together with letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 18 August 2009, regarding an application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1004.

The applicant was not in attendance. His father attended the Committee, advising that the applicant was on holiday at the present time but that he wished to represent him at the Committee. The applicant's father addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Consideration of grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1004 be continued to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 11 November 2009, to allow the applicant to attend in person.

521. GRANT OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD1016

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/470), together with letter for information from the Chief Constable, Tayside Police, dated 17 September 2009, regarding an application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1016.

The applicant was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

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Resolved:

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1016 be granted for three years, with effect from 14 October 2009, subject to the applicant attending the Vernon Manfield Course.

522. GRANT OF WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE – WC179

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/471) regarding an application for grant of Window Cleaner's Licence WC179.

The applicant was not in attendance.

Resolved:

Grant of Window Cleaner's Licence WC179 be deferred to the next meeting of the Licensing Committee, being held on 11 November 2009, to allow the applicant to attend in person.

523. RENEWAL OF A TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD228

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (09/472) regarding an application for renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD228.

The applicant was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

Resolved:

Renewal of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD228 be granted, subject to Legal Services being provided with written evidence of Council Tax payments.

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