

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
LICENSING COMMITTEE
19 FEBRUARY 2015

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Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Hay Room, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Thursday 19 February 2015 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors J Coburn (Convener), B Ellis, R Brock, J Flynn, D Melloy, D Pover and M Roberts.

In Attendance: L Gregge, Licensing Supervisor, and R Forbes (both Police Scotland); J Dixon, A Farquharson and D Hutchison (all up to and including Art. 113) (all The Environment Service); M Baker, H Dunn, P Frazer, M McLaren and H Rheinallt (all Chief Executive's Service).

Councillor J Coburn (Convener), Presiding.

109. WELCOME

The Convener welcomed everyone to the meeting.

110. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor B Ellis declared a non-financial interest in Item 5 in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

111. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Committee of Thursday 8 January 2015 (Arts 1 to 5) was submitted and approved as a correct record.

112. VARIATION TO CONDITION 7 OF STREET TRADER'S LICENCE – ST175

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (15/77), together with (i) a letter of objection from Mr Paul Johnston, Branch Manager, Henderson Grass Machinery Ltd dated 23 January 2015, (ii) letter from Mr Willie Gibson, Licensing Enforcement Officer, dated 2 February 2015, and (iii) Copy Compliance Note from Mr Kelly, received 29 January 2015, regarding Variation to Condition 7 of Street Trader's Licence ST175.

The licence holder was in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. Mr A Henderson, objector to the application, was also in attendance, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Resolved:

Variation to Condition 7 of Street Trader's Licence ST175 be granted for three years from 19 February 2015.

COUNCILLOR B ELLIS, HAVING DECLARED A NON-FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM, WITHDREW FROM THE CHAMBERS.

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**113. APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE TO KEEP DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS
– DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS ACT 1976**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (15/78) advising of an application for a licence to keep dangerous wild animals (wild boar) under the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976.

The applicant was in attendance, J Dixon, Regulatory Services Manager, Perth and Kinross Council, and A Farquharson, Animal Welfare Officer, Perth and Kinross Council, addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. The applicant also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Motion (Councillors J Coburn and R Brock)

Application for a licence to keep dangerous wild animals (wild boar) be refused, on the grounds that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to hold the licence.

Amendment (Councillors J Flynn and M Roberts)

Licence to keep dangerous wild animals (wild boar) be granted for one year, subject to appropriate conditions, on the grounds that the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold the licence.

In accordance with Standing Order 44, a roll call vote was taken.

4 members voted for the Motion as follows:
Councillors D Pover, R Brock, D Melloy and J Coburn.

2 members voted for the Amendment as follows:
Councillor M Roberts and J Flynn.

Resolved:

In accordance with the Motion.

COUNCILLOR B ELLIS RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

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.

114. GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – TD1419

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Services (15/79), together with a letter of representation dated 28 January 2015 from Police Scotland, regarding consideration of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1419.

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Resolved:

Consideration of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TD1419 be deferred to the meeting of the Licensing Committee being held on Thursday 14 May 2015.

115. GRANT OF TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE TC1094

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal Service (15/80), together with a letter of representation dated 4 July 2015 from Police Scotland, regarding consideration of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TC1094.

The applicant was in attendance, accompanied by his representative Mrs Lamond. The representative from Police Scotland addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions. Mrs Lamond and the applicant also addressed the Committee and answered Members' questions.

FOLLOWING A SHORT ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMITTEE RECONVENED

Resolved:

Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence TC1094 be granted for one year on the grounds that the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold the licence.

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