

**MINUTE**  
**of**  
**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Minute of Meeting held at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock, on 15 October 2019.**

**Present:**

Councillor Angela Convery (Chair)  
Councillor Alan Lafferty

Councillor Stewart Miller

Councillor Convery in the Chair

**Attending:**

Jacqui McCusker, Senior Solicitor; Brian Kilpatrick, Civic Government Enforcement Officer; Eamonn Daly, Democratic Services Manager and Liona Allison, Assistant Committee Services Officer.

**Also Attending:**

Constables Morton and Stevenson, Police Scotland.

**Apologies:**

Councillors Betty Cunningham (Vice-Chair) and Charlie Gilbert.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**1063.** There were no declarations of interest intimated.

**Resolution to Exclude Press and Public**

At this point in the meeting, on the motion of the Chair, the committee unanimously resolved that in accordance with the provisions of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the undernoted items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Act.

**PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER/OPERATOR'S LICENCES – REQUESTS FOR SUSPENSION**

**1064.** The committee considered two reports by the Chief Officer – Legal and Procurement in relation to requests from the Chief Constable for the suspension of a Private Hire Car

Driver's Licence and a Private Hire Car Operator's Licence on the grounds that the licence holder was no longer a fit and proper person to be the holder of such licences by virtue of the circumstances outlined in the letters from the Chief Constable (Agenda Items 3 and 4 refer).

The licence holder was present and accompanied by Mr McArdle, his representative.

Constable Morton and Constable Stevenson, representing the Chief Constable who had made the requests, were also present.

Mr McArdle, the licence holder's representative, was heard in respect of the requests submitted by the Chief Constable.

Constable Stevenson was then heard in respect of the requests submitted by the Chief Constable.

Having fully considered the matter, the committee agreed not to suspend the licence in terms of Paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 pending the outcome of the forthcoming court case.

The licence holder was reminded of his obligation under the terms and conditions of the licences to immediately advise the Council if he was later found guilty of any offence in court.

CHAIR