

MINUTE
of
LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting held at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock, on 22 January 2019.

Present:

Councillor Angela Convery (Chair) Councillor Stewart Miller
Councillor Alan Lafferty

Councillor Convery in the Chair

Attending:

Jacqui McCusker, Senior Solicitor; Brian Kilpatrick, Enforcement Officer; and Jennifer Graham, Committee Services Officer.

Also Attending:

Inspector Brian McGeoch, Inspector Shaun Ramsay and Sergeant Scott Brown, Police Scotland.

Apologies:

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

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

752. 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.

Variation in Order of Business

In accordance with the terms of Standing Order 19, Councillor Convery altered the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR OPERATOR'S LICENCE – APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL

753. The committee considered a report by the Chief Officer – Legal and Procurement in relation to an application for the renewal of a Private Hire Car Operator's Licence (Agenda Item 5 refers).

The applicant was present together with his Solicitor Mr McCormack.

Inspector McGeoch, Inspector Ramsay and Sergeant Brown representing the Chief Constable who had made an objection in respect of the application were also present.

The report explained that in determining the application it would be for the committee to decide what weight it wished to attach to the objection by the Chief Constable and its relevance to the type of licence being applied for.

Sergeant Brown was heard in respect of the objection submitted by the Chief Constable and in response to questions from Members.

The applicant and his Solicitor were then heard in respect of the application and in response to questions from Members.

The committee, having taken account of the applicant's previous conviction, its seriousness and relevance to the licence being applied for, and also having taken account of the objection by the Chief Constable, agreed that the application be granted for a period of one year subject to standard conditions.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – APPLICATION FOR GRANT

754. The committee considered a report by the Chief Officer - Legal and Procurement in relation to an application for the grant of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence (Agenda Item 4 refers).

The applicant was present.

Inspector McGeoch, Inspector Ramsay and Sergeant Brown representing the Chief Constable who had made an objection in respect of the application were also present.

The report explained that in determining the application it would be for the committee to decide what weight it wished to attach to the objection by the Chief Constable and its relevance to the type of licence being applied for.

Sergeant Brown was heard in respect of the objection submitted by the Chief Constable and in response to questions from Members.

The applicant was then heard in respect of the application and in response to questions from Members.

The committee, having taken account of the objection by the Chief Constable, agreed that the application be granted for a period of one year subject to standard conditions.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – APPLICATION FOR GRANT

755. The committee considered a report by the Chief Officer - Legal and Procurement in relation to an application for the grant of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence (Agenda Item 3 refers).

The applicant, having been invited to the meeting, was not present.

Inspector McGeoch, Inspector Ramsay and Sergeant Brown representing the Chief Constable who had made a representation in respect of the application were present.

The report explained that in determining the application it would be for the committee to decide what weight it wished to attach to the objection by the Chief Constable and its relevance to the type of licence being applied for.

The committee agreed:-

- (a) to deal with the application in the applicant's absence; and
- (b) having taken account of the applicant's previous conviction, its seriousness and relevance to the licence being applied for, and also having taken account of the representation by the Chief Constable, that the application be granted for a period of one year subject to standard conditions.

CHAIR

