

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**LOCAL GOVERNMENT LICENSING PANEL****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 JANUARY 2009 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Hugh Ross, Rose-Ann Cuninghame, John MacKay, Robert Keohone, John Campbell, Gordon Cree, Jim Roberts and Barney Menzies.

ATTENDING: David Mitchell, Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services; Gillian Kuhn, Licensing Board Administrator; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Jim Buchanan, Neil McGhee and Elaine Dinwoodie.

CHAIR: Councillor Hugh Ross, Chair.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

1. The Panel resolved that under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. The Chair, at his discretion and in terms of Standing Order 19, agreed to alter the order of business.

APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - WILLIAM McEWAN

3. There was submitted a report dated 7 January 2009 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Panel to consider, by way of a Hearing, an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence.

The Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services outlined the agreed Hearing Procedure.

3.1 Hearing

The Panel heard Chief Inspector Lawrence representing Strathclyde Police in explanation of the Police observations and the applicant who spoke to all matters raised, all in accordance with the agreed Hearing Procedure.

3.2 Decision

It was agreed that the application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted, subject to the standard conditions.

**APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - GARY REYNOLDS
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4. There was submitted a report dated 7 January 2009 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Panel to consider, by way of a Hearing, an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence. It was confirmed that the applicant was not present or represented.

4.1 Hearing

The Panel heard the Head of Legal, Procurement and Regulatory Services summarise the position.

4.2 Decision

It was agreed that the application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted for a period of 12 months subject to the standard conditions.

The meeting terminated at 1020 hours.