

REGULATORY PANEL

Minutes of a hybrid webcast meeting of
28 November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Present in County Hall: Councillors Alan Lamont (Chair), Ian Cavana, Alec Clark, Mark Dixon, Martin Kilbride and Duncan Townson.

Present Remotely: Councillors Mary Kilpatrick and Craig Mackay.

Apology: Councillor Lee Lyons.

Attending: L. McChristie, Co-ordinator (Licensing); C. Carroll, Service Lead – Housing Strategy and Regeneration D. Scobie, Civic Licensing Standards Officer; G. Beattie, Fleet Inspector; G. Armstrong, Fleet Inspector; J. McClure, Committee Services Lead Officer; and C. McCallum, Committee Services Assistant.

Also Attending: Sergeant D. Markin and D. Hastings, Police Scotland.

Chair's Remarks

The Chair

- (1) welcomed everyone to the meeting; and
- (2) outlined the procedures for conducting this meeting and advised that this meeting would be broadcast live.

1. Sederunt and Declarations of Interest.

The Co-ordinator (Licensing) called the Sederunt for the meeting and having called the roll, confirmed that there were no declarations of interest by Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of 26 September and 31 October 2024 (issued) were submitted and approved.

Variation in Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order No. 13.3, the Panel agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

3. **Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Licences**

Taxi Vehicle Licence

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer and from the representative for the licence holder, Jane Coulter in relation to the proposed suspension of the licence currently held by her.

The Panel

Decided: to continue consideration of this matter to a future meeting of this Panel to allow further information to be sought.

4. **Exclusion of press and public.**

The Panel resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, that the press and public be excluded from the remaining items, on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information in terms of paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

5. **Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Licences**

(a) Taxi Vehicle Licence

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer and from the Fleet Inspector in relation to the proposed suspension of the licence currently held by Thomas Lindores.

In terms of Standing Order No. 19.9, there was no general agreement to the unopposed motion, therefore, the Panel moved to a vote undertaken by electronic means for or against the Motion. Seven Members voted for the Motion and one Member voted against the Motion and the Panel

Decided: to take no action at this time.

(b) Taxi Driver Licence

The Panel heard from Police Scotland and from the licence holder, Ahmad Farooqi in relation to the proposed suspension of his licence.

In terms of Standing Order No. 19.9, there was no general agreement to the unopposed motion, therefore, the Panel moved to a vote undertaken by electronic means for or against the Motion. Seven Members voted for the Motion and one Member voted against the Motion and the Panel

Decided: to approve this application for three years, subject to standard conditions as previously agreed.

Adjournment

The time being 11.30 a.m., the Panel adjourned for 15 minutes.

Resumption of Meeting

The meeting resumed at 11.45 a.m.

(c) Taxi Vehicle Licence

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer and from the licence holder, George Dickson, in relation to the proposed suspension of the licence currently held by him.

The Panel

Decided: to take no action at this time.

(d) Short Term Lets

(i) 4H Milton Wynd, Turnberry

The Panel heard from the Co-ordinator (Housing Policy and Strategy), from one of the objectors and from the applicant in relation to the above application.

The Panel

Decided: to approve this application subject to standard conditions as previously agreed.

(ii) 24 Golf Course Road, Girvan

The Panel heard from the Co-ordinator (Housing Policy and Strategy) and from the applicant in relation to the above application.

In terms of Standing Order No. 19.9, there was no general agreement to the unopposed motion, therefore, the Panel moved to a vote undertaken by electronic means for or against the Motion. Seven Members voted for the Motion and one Member voted against the Motion and the Panel

The Panel

Decided: to approve this application subject to standard conditions as previously agreed.

The meeting ended at 12.45 p.m.