

## GOVERNANCE

### DECISION SHEET

#### LICENSING COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2025

Please let the Committee Officer know as soon as possible if you do not agree with any action proposed in this decision sheet. These are decisions of the Committee and there is an expectation that action will be taken. If for any reason it is apparent that you will not be able to act on these instructions in full or in part or that there will be a delay, please let the Committee Officer know as it may be necessary to advise the Committee or seek further instructions from the Committee.

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1.1	<u>Urgent Business</u>	<b>The Committee resolved:</b> There was no Urgent Business.		
2.1	<u>Exempt Business</u>	<b>The Committee resolved:</b> in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of item 10.1 (Street Trader Licence (Grant)).		
3.1	<u>Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements</u>	<b>The Committee resolved:</b> there were no declarations of interest or transparency statements intimated.		
4.1	<u>Deputation by the Taxi Trade Members of the Taxi and Private Hire Consultation Group</u>	<b>The Committee resolved:</b> to thank Russell McLeod and the Taxi Trade members of the Taxi and Private Hire Car Consultation Group for their deputation relating to agenda item 8.1 (Aberdeen City Taxi and Private Hire Unmet Demand and Overprovision Survey).		
5.1	<u>Minute of Previous Meeting of 4</u>	<b>The Committee resolved:</b>		

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	<u>December 2024</u>	to approve the minute.		
5.2	<u>Minute of Meeting of the Licensing Sub Committee of 31 January 2025</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> to approve the minute.		
5.3	<u>Committee Business Planner</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to note the reason for deferral in relation to item 6 (Taxi Fleet Composition); (ii) to transfer item 5 (Residential Caravan Licensing) to the Communities, Housing and Public Protection Committee Business Planner, for the reason outlined in the Planner; (iii) to note that a Service Update will be circulated to members of the Committee relating to the Residential Caravan Licensing report, following its consideration by the Communities, Housing and Public Protection Committee in March 2025; and (iv) to otherwise note the Business Planner.		
6.1	<u>Notices of Motion</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> There were none.		
7.1	<u>Referrals from Council, Committees or Sub Committees</u>	<u>The Committee resolved:</u> There were none.		

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8.1	<b><u>Aberdeen City Taxi and Private Hire Unmet Demand and Overprovision Survey - CORS/25/046</u></b>	<p><b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b></p> <p>(a) note the results and recommendations of the Survey;</p> <p>(b) agree that there is currently no evidence of significant unmet demand for the services of taxis in Aberdeen and therefore no need to increase the limit on the number of taxi licences;</p> <p>(c) agree that there is no evidence of the overprovision of private hire cars in the locality of the City of Aberdeen and therefore no need to introduce a cap on private hire car licences; and</p> <p>(d) instruct the Chief Officer-Governance, to discuss with the Taxi and Private Hire Car Consultation Group, measures which could encourage more of the licensed vehicle fleet to operate during unsocial hours and which would help to address limitations in provision during such hours.</p>		
8.2	<b><u>Sexual Entertainment Venue Licensing - CORS/25/041</u></b>	<p><b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b></p> <p>to defer consideration of an updated report to the next meeting of the Committee.</p>		
9.1	<b><u>Short Term Let (New Operator) - 2 Woodcroft Road</u></b>	<p><b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b></p> <p>to refuse the licence on the following grounds:-</p> <p>Where the licence applied for relates to an activity consisting of or including the use of premises, those premises are not suitable or convenient for the conduct of the activity having regard</p>		

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		<p>to –</p> <p>(i) the nature and extent of the proposed activity;</p> <p>(ii) the possibility of undue public nuisance; and</p> <p>(iii) public order or public safety.</p>		
9.2	<b><u>Short Term Let (New Operator) - 63 Bothwell Road</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to grant the licence.		
9.3	<b><u>Late Hours Catering Licence (Grant) - Burger King, Centrepont Retail Park</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to grant the licence.		
9.4	<b><u>Street Trader Licence (Grant) - Emma Williamson</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> <p>(i) to grant the licence with an additional condition stating that the applicant must remove from the site within 28 days, if given notice to do so by the Estates Team (Aberdeen City Council); and</p> <p>(ii) to waive the application fee, for one further application, should the applicant apply for another site location.</p>		
9.5	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Street Knowledge Test - Kashif Iftikhar</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to refuse the request for exemption from undertaking the Street Knowledge Test.		
10.1	<b><u>Street Trader Licence (Grant)</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to grant the licence.		

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11.1	<b><u>Landlord Registration (Renewal)</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> The Committee were advised that Police Scotland had withdrawn their letter of objection, therefore noting that the Chief Officer - Housing could grant the registration under delegated powers if deemed appropriate.		
11.2	<b><u>Landlord Registration (New)</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to refuse the registration on the grounds that the applicant was not a fit and proper person.		
11.3	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to refuse the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.4	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.5	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.6	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to refuse the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.7	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.8	<b><u>Request for Exemption from Policy -</u></b>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b>		

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	<u>Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u>	to refuse the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.9	<u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.10	<u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.11	<u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to approve the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		
11.12	<u>Request for Exemption from Policy - Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle</u>	<b><u>The Committee resolved:</u></b> to refuse the request for exemption from the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Policy.		

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