

LICENSING COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 28 July 2014. Minute of Meeting of the LICENSING URGENT BUSINESS SUB COMMITTEE. Present: Councillor Forsyth, Convener; and Councillors Malone and Young (as substitute for Councillor Ironside).

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DETERMINATION OF URGENT BUSINESS

1. In terms of Standing Order 28(5)(vi), and in accordance with Section 50(B)(4)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the Sub Committee was informed that it had to determine: (1) that the items on the agenda were of an urgent nature; and (2) that the Committee required to consider the items and take decisions thereon.

The Committee resolved:

to agree that the items were of an urgent nature and required to be considered this day.

APPLICATION FOR THE RENEWAL OF A TAXI LICENCE – TONY ADU

2. The Sub Committee had before it: (a) an application for the renewal of a taxi licence from a Mr Tony Adu, dated 26 January 2014, and a copy of a substitution application, dated 25 March 2014, also from Mr Adu; (b) an information note to members advising of the background of his taxi licence application; (c) correspondence to Mr Adu from the Enforcement Officer, Aberdeen City Council, dated 31 March 2014 and 22 May 2014, in relation to his applications for renewal of his taxi licence and substitution of his taxi; and (d) correspondence, dated 10 June 2014 and 2 July 2014, to Mr Adu from Aberdeen City Council, Litigation and Licensing Team, in respect of the taxi licence application. The applicant had been invited to the meeting to be given an opportunity to be heard by the Sub Committee in relation to his application. However, he did not attend.

The Committee resolved:

to refuse to renew the taxi licence as they were not satisfied that either of the vehicles, to which it had been proposed the licence would relate, were suitable as they were attached to other current taxi licences, and in addition the vehicle most recently proposed by the applicant had also failed its taxi test.

COUNCILLOR FRASER FORSYTH, Convener