

## LICENSING URGENT BUSINESS SUB COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 1 July 2016. Minute of Meeting of the LICENSING URGENT BUSINESS SUB COMMITTEE. Present:- Councillor Carle, Convener; and Councillors Nicoll, Samarai (as a substitute for Councillor Townson from article 5 onwards) and Townson (for articles 1 to 4).

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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 Sub Committee required to consider the items and take a decision thereon.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

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

### AGENDA ORDER

2. Further to a request from the licence holder at item 11 on the agenda, the Convener proposed that item 11 (Request for Removal of Suspension of a Taxi Driver's Licence) on today's agenda be considered first.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to concur with the Convener's proposal and thereby consider item 11 as the first item of business.

### EXEMPT INFORMATION

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 1988 (PRINCIPLE 1), THE PRESS AND PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM.**

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**REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF SUSPENSION OF A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE**

3. With reference to article 21 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letters of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 4 November 2015 and 31 May 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance on behalf of Police Scotland.

The licence holder was present, accompanied by a witness.

The licence holder advised that he wished to lodge character references for consideration by the Sub Committee.

Sergeant Gillian Flett, Police Scotland had no objection to the documents being considered.

**The Sub Committee resolved:-**

that the character references lodged by the applicant be introduced to the proceedings.

The Sub Committee heard from the licence holder and his witness in support of the request for the removal of the suspension of his taxi driver's licence.

The Sub Committee heard from Sergeant Gill Flett on behalf of Police Scotland.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to take no action and thereby the suspension of the taxi driver's licence remained.

**RENEWAL OF A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE**

4. With reference to article 5 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 20 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was present and spoke in support of his application.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to grant the application.

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### RENEWAL OF A TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE

5. With reference to article 6 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 4 May 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was present and spoke in support of his application.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to grant the application.

### GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

6. With reference to article 10 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 20 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to refuse the application.

### GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

7. With reference to article 11 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 1 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**

to refuse the application.

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**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**Prior to consideration of the following item, Councillor Samarai declared an interest in the following article by virtue of knowing the applicant by virtue of her previous employment, and withdrew from the meeting prior to consideration of the item.**

**GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE**

8. With reference to article 12 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 19 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**  
to refuse the application.

**GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE**

9. With reference to article 13 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 13 May 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**  
to refuse the application.

**GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE**

10. With reference to article 15 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 19 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

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The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**  
to refuse the application.

### GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

11. With reference to article 10 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of representation from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 20 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was present, along with his son, and spoke in support of his application.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**  
to grant the application.

### GRANT OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

12. With reference to article 17 of appendix B of the minute of the meeting of the Licensing Committee of 14 June 2016, the Sub Committee had before it a letter of objection from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, c/o Aberdeen City Division dated 29 April 2016, and Sergeant Gillian Flett was in attendance and spoke in support of the letter.

The applicant was not present.

**The Sub Committee resolved:**  
to refuse the application.

- **COUNCILLOR CARLE, Convener**