

LICENSING COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 4 November 2022. Minute of meeting of the LICENSING COMMITTEE. Present: Councillor Al-Samarai, Convener; Councillor Delaney, Vice Convener; and Councillors Clark, Crockett, Fairfull, Farquhar, Graham, Henrickson, McLeod, Tissera and van Sweeden.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TRANSPARENCY STATEMENTS

1. There were no declarations of interest or transparency statements intimated.

GRANT OF A TAXI OPERATOR LICENCE - VARINDER SOOD

2. With reference to article 18 of the minute of the previous meeting of 6 September 2022, the Committee had before it an information note prepared by the Chief Officer – Governance in respect of the application, which advised that following inspection, the applicant's modified vehicle did not meet the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (WAV) specifications of the Licensing Authority.

The Committee heard Mr Sandy Munro, Legal Adviser, Aberdeen City Council provide background information in relation to the application and responded to questions from members.

The applicant, Mr Varinder Sood was in attendance, spoke in support of his application, responded to questions from members and then summed up.

The Committee resolved:-

- (i) to defer consideration of the application to allow the applicant to undertake a further vehicle inspection at Fleet Services and to waive the inspection fee; and
- (ii) that if the vehicle meets the required WAV measurement specifications set by the Licensing Authority, the Chief Officer – Governance could grant the application under delegated powers, however if it did not, the application be referred to the Licensing Committee for consideration.

- **COUNCILLOR GILL AL-SAMARAI, Convener**