

Minute of Meeting Regulatory Functions Board

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 06 September 2018	10:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

Present

Provost Lorraine Cameron, Councillor Eddie Devine, Councillor Alistair Mackay, Councillor Cathy McEwan, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Kevin Montgomery, Councillor Andy Steel, Councillor Jane Strang

Chair

Councillor McNaughtan, Convener, presided.

In attendance

A McLaughlin, Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory Services), P Shiach, Committee Services Officer G McIntosh, Civic Government Enforcement Officer (for items 1-5 only) and A Fishlock and N Barr, Administrative Assistants (all Finance & Resources).

Apologies

Councillors Hughes and Rodden.

Declarations of Interest

Provost Cameron and Councillor Devine declared a non-financial interest in item 1(a) of the agenda as the applicant was known to them and indicated their intention to remain in the meeting.

1 Renewal of Taxi Drivers' Licences - Personal Appearances

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Provost Cameron and Councillor Devine, having previously declared an interest in the following item of business, remained in the meeting.

There were submitted the undernoted applications for renewal of Taxi Drivers' Licences. The applicants had been asked to appear personally for the first time: -

(a) Eric Egan, 11 Fereneze Drive, Paisley (T0108)

Mr Egan, the applicant was invited into the meeting. Mr Egan gave undertakings in relation to the renewal of his DVLA licence.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of two years in light of the aforementioned undertakings. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of two years in light of undertakings given in relation to Mr Egan's DVLA licence.

(b) John Heron, 48 Fern Drive, Barrhead (T0093)

Mr Heron, the applicant was invited into the meeting. Mr Heron gave undertakings in relation to the renewal of his DVLA licence.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of two years in light of the aforementioned undertakings. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of two years in light of undertakings given in relation to Mr Heron's DVLA licence.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Board resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of part I of schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

2 Grant of Private Hire Car Drivers' Licences - Personal Appearances

There were submitted the undernoted applications for the grant of Private Hire Car Drivers' Licences. The applicants had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with Police Scotland who had submitted representations to applications (b) and (c) and objections to applications (d) and (e): -

(a) Fred David Musika, 149 Erskinefauld Road, Linwood

Mr Musika was invited into the meeting.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of one year. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of one year.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Montgomery declared an interest in the undernoted application as the applicant was known to him, left the meeting and took no part in any discussion and voting thereon.

(b) Adrian Skretowski, Flat 1/1, 95 Burndyke Square, Glasgow

Mr Skretowski was invited into the meeting together with Sergeant Hay, on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted a representation to the application.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period on one year. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of one year.

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Councillor Montgomery re-entered the meeting prior to consideration of the following item of business.

(c) Ihsanullah Sahil, Flat 4/1, 50 Kings Way Court, Glasgow

There was no appearance by or on behalf of the applicant. Sergeant Hay, on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted a representation in respect of the application, was invited into the meeting.

The Convener proposed that consideration of the application be continued, and that the applicant be invited to a future meeting of the Board. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That consideration of the application be continued, and that the applicant be invited to a future meeting of the Board.

(d) Nangyalai Haideri, 21B High Street, Ayr

Mr Haideri, the applicant was invited into the meeting together with Sergeant Hay, on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted an objection in respect of the application. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider this application. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of one year. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of one year.

(e) Garry Weir, Flat 1/1, 6 Mirren Street, Paisley

There was no appearance by or on behalf of Mr Weir. Sergeant Hay, on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted an objection to the application was invited into the meeting. The Convener proposed that the application be considered in the applicant's absence and this was agreed unanimously.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be refused. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be refused.

3 Hearing into Possible Suspension or Revocation of Taxi Driver's Licence - Personal Appearance

The Board considered the possible suspension or revocation of the undernoted Taxi Driver's Licence. The licence holder had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with Police Scotland: -

Brian MacEwan, 11 Breck Avenue, Paisley

Mr MacEwan, the licence holder, was invited into the meeting together with Sergeant Hay, on behalf of the Chief Constable.

Mr MacEwan requested that consideration of this matter be continued to allow his solicitor to attend the meeting to represent him. The meeting adjourned to allow members to consider Mr MacEwan's request. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that the hearing into the possible suspension or revocation of Mr Clarke's Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be continued. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the hearing into the possible suspension or revocation of Mr Clarke's Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be continued.

4 Renewal of Private Hire Car Drivers' Licences - Personal Appearances

There were submitted the undernoted applications for the renewal of Private Hire Car Drivers' Licences. The applicants had been asked to appear personally for the first time:-

(a) Gordon Rooney, 7 Glendentan Road, Bridge of Weir (P0171)

Mr Rooney, the applicant was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of two years. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of two years.

(b) Alan Thomson, Flat 3, 105 Seedhill Road, Paisley (P1335)

Mr Thomson, the applicant was invited into the meeting. Mr Thomson gave undertakings in relation to the renewal of his DVLA licence.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of two years in light of the aforementioned undertakings. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of two years in light of undertakings given in relation to Mr Thomson's DVLA licence.

5 Surrender and Re-issue of Taxi Operators' Licences - Personal Appearances

There were submitted the undernoted applications for the surrender and re-issue of Taxi Operators' Licences. Applicants (b) and (c) had been asked to appear personally for the first time: -

(a) Present Operator: William Crawford, 66 Sandy Road, Renfrew
Proposed Operator: Shahzad Malik, 83 India Drive, Inchinnan
Licence No.: TX054

The Convener proposed that the application be granted, and this was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted.

(b) Present Operator: Executor of Allan Kerr
Proposed Operator: Allan Hill, 2 Manor Park Avenue, Paisley
Taxi No.: TX054

Mr Hutchison, representing the proposed operator, Mr Hill, was invited into the meeting.

The Convener proposed that the application be granted, and this was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted.

(c) Present Operator: Robert Ross, 1 Braemont Avenue, Paisley
Proposed Operator: Andrew McCallum, 62F Tannahill Crescent, Johnstone
Taxi No.: TX212C

Mr Ross, current operator and Mr McCallum, proposed operator were invited into the meeting.

The Convener proposed that the application be granted, and this was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted.

6 Grant of Landlord Registrations - Personal Appearances

There were submitted the undernoted applications for the grant of Landlord Registrations. The applicants had been asked to appear personally for the first time.

(a) Len Heslop, 39 Crookston Drive, Glasgow

Mr Heslop, the applicant was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be continued to allow the applicant to obtain and provide a completion certificate from the First-tier Tribunal. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be continued.

(b) Robert Saunderson, 117 Church Road, Glenwherry, Ballymena, County Antrim

The Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory Services) advised the Board that the application had been withdrawn.

DECIDED: That it be noted that the application had been withdrawn.

(c) Joy Saunderson, 117 Church Road, Glenwherry, Ballymena, County Antrim

The Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory Services) advised the Board that the application had been withdrawn.

DECIDED: That it be noted that the application had been withdrawn.