

## Minute of Meeting Regulatory Functions Board

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 07 December 2017	10:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

**Present:** Councillor Eddie Devine, Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes, Councillor Alistair Mackay, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Kevin Montgomery, Councillor Emma Rodden, Councillor Jane Strang

### Chair

Councillor McNaughtan, Convener, presided.

### In Attendance

A McLaughlin, Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory), E Currie, Senior Committee Services Officer, N Barr, Administrative Assistant and G McIntosh, Civic Government Enforcement Officer (for items 1 to 4 only) (all Finance and Resources).

### Apologies

Provost Lorraine Cameron and Councillor Cathy McEwan.

### Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

### Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 16, the Convener intimated that he proposed to alter the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting by considering items 6(a) and (b) of the agenda prior to item 3 of the agenda.

## **1 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 Joanne Martin who had submitted a complaint:-

Michael Kelly, 109 Mains Wood, Erskine – T2240

Mr Kelly, the licence holder and his wife, Mrs Kelly, were invited into the meeting. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Joanne Martin, the complainer. The Convener proposed that the hearing be held in Mrs Martin's absence and this was agreed unanimously.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider this matter. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that no action be taken at this time and that the Head of Corporate Governance write to all taxi drivers reminding them that they were ambassadors for Renfrewshire and as such, the licensing authority expected the highest standards of behaviour at all times. This was agreed unanimously.

### **DECIDED:**

(a) That no action be taken at this time; and

(b) That the Head of Corporate Governance write to all taxi drivers reminding them that they were ambassadors for Renfrewshire and as such the licensing authority expected the highest standards of behaviour at all times.

## **2 Renewal of Late Hours Catering Licences**

There were submitted the undernoted applications for renewal of Late Hours Catering Licences:-

(a) Applicant: Select Service Partner UK Limited, 169 Euston Road, London  
Premises: James Martin Kitchen, Glasgow Airport Airside, Abbotsinch, Paisley  
Authorised Goods: hot and cold food and drinks  
Operating Hours: 7 days per week – 11.00 pm to 5.00 am

The Convener proposed that the application be allowed to be an exception to the Board's policy on trading hours and that the application be granted for a period of two years. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That the application be allowed to be an exception to the Board's policy on trading hours and that the application be granted for a period of two years.

(b) Applicant: Select Service Partner UK Limited, 169 Euston Road, London  
Premises: Panopolis, Glasgow Airport Airside, Abbotsinch, Paisley  
Authorised Goods: hot and cold food and drinks  
Operating Hours: 7 days per week – 11.00 pm to 5.00 am

The Convener proposed that the application be allowed to be an exception to the Board's policy on trading hours and that the application be granted for a period of two years. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That the application be allowed to be an exception to the Board's policy on trading hours and that the application be granted for a period of two years.

### **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.

### **3 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 the applications:-

(a) Najibullah Ahmadi, Flat 1/2 867 Govan Road, Glasgow

Mr Ahmadi, the applicant, was invited into the meeting together with Constable McEwan and Ms Stevenson on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted a representation to the application.

Constable McEwan intimated that Police Scotland wished to withdraw their representation to Mr Ahmadi's application. 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.

(b) Aw Qureshi, 22 Waukglen Avenue, Glasgow

Mr Qureshi, the applicant, was invited into the meeting together with Constable McEwan and Ms Stevenson on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted a representation to the application. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider the 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.

### **4 Grant of Taxi Driver's Licence - Personal Appearance**

There was submitted the undernoted application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time:-

Scott Gilligan, 15 Alloway Grove, Paisley

There was no appearance by or on behalf of Mr Gilligan. 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.

## **5 Request for Exemption from Assisting Wheelchair Passengers - Personal Appearance**

There was submitted the undernoted request for exemption from assisting wheelchair passengers. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time:-

Peter White, 8 Pinkerton Lane, Renfrew – T2507

Mr White, the applicant, was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider this request. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that Mr White's request for exemption from assisting wheelchair passengers be granted for the duration of his current Taxi Driver's Licence. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That Mr White's request for exemption from assisting wheelchair passengers be granted for the duration of his current Taxi Driver's Licence.

## **6 Grant of Private Hire Car Operator's Licence - Personal Appearance**

Under reference to item 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Board held on 1 November 2017 consideration was resumed of the undernoted application for the grant of a Private Hire Car Operator's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the third time:-

William Calvey, Passinglinn Cottage, Kibbleston Road, Kilbarchan

Mr Calvey, the applicant, was invited into the meeting and provided copies of his outstanding documents. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider the application. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that consideration of Mr Calvey's application be continued to enable his documents to be checked. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That consideration of Mr Calvey's application be continued to enable his documents to be checked.

## **7 Renewal of Private Hire Car Driver's Licence - Personal Appearance**

There was submitted the undernoted application for renewal of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time:-

Stephen Smith, 42 Lochy Place, Linburn, Erskine – P4159

Mr Smith, the applicant, was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, Mr Smith was requested to give undertakings to the Board that (i) he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and (ii) he would attend an occupational health appointment in 2018. Mr Smith agreed to the undertakings.

The Convener proposed that Mr Smith's application be granted for a period of two years subject to the undertakings given by him that he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and (ii) he would attend an occupational health appointment in 2018. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That the application be granted for a period of two years subject to the undertakings given by the applicant that he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and attend an occupational health appointment in 2018.

## **8 Renewal of Taxi Driver's Licence - Personal Appearance**

There was submitted the undernoted application for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time:-

Stephen Graham, 73 Mount Lockhart, Glasgow – T2325

Mr Graham, the applicant, was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, Mr Graham was requested to give undertakings to the Board that (i) he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and (ii) he would attend an occupational health appointment in 2018. Mr Graham agreed to the undertakings.

The Convener proposed that Mr Graham's application be granted for a period of two years subject to the undertakings given by him that he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and (ii) he would attend an occupational health appointment in 2018. This was agreed unanimously.

**DECIDED:** That the application be granted for a period of two years subject to the undertakings given by the applicant that he would provide evidence of his renewed DVLA Licence to the Licensing Section within 14 days of its receipt and attend an occupational health appointment in 2018.

## **9 Hearings into Possible Removal from the Register of Private Landlords - Personal Appearance**

Under reference to items 8(a) and (b) respectively of the Minute of the meeting of this Board held on 1 November 2017 consideration was resumed of the possible removal of the undernoted landlords from the register of private landlords. The landlords had been asked to appear personally for the fourth time:-

(a) Dr Jenny Wong, Flat 9/1 15 Kirkton Avenue, Glasgow

The Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory) advised that the landlord had removed the registration from the register of private landlords.

**DECIDED:** That it be noted that the landlord had removed the registration from the register of private landlords.

(b) Kai Chi Loi, 416 Rua Cidade de Coimbra, Edf Brilhantismo, 3 Andar y Nape, Macao

The Senior Solicitor (Litigation and Regulatory) advised that the landlord had removed the registration from the register of private landlords.

**DECIDED:** That it be noted that the landlord had removed the registration from the register of private landlords.