ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the **CIVIC LICENSING COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 6 November 2014 at 10.15 am.

Present: Councillors ALEX KING, CRAIG FOTHERINGHAM, BRIAN BOYD, LYNNE DEVINE, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, JIM HOUSTON, DAVID LUMGAIR, BOB SPINK, and PAUL VALENTINE.

Councillor KING, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Sheila Hands.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee agreed to note that no declarations of interest were made.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of this Committee held on 25 September 2014 was approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

4. DELEGATED APPROVALS

There was submitted Report No 449/14 by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services detailing applications for licences under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 and other miscellaneous Acts which had been granted/renewed by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation appended to Standing Orders.

The Committee agreed to note the applications, detailed in the Appendix to the Report, granted/renewed under delegated powers during the period 30 August 2014 to 17 October 2014.

5. SOUTH LINKS HOLIDAY PARK, MONTROSE

With reference to Article 6 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 25 September 2014, there was submitted Report No 450/14 by the Strategic Director – Communities regarding an application to vary a Caravan Site Licence for South Links Holiday Park, Montrose, to alter the opening period of the site to all year round opening which required to be determined by the Committee.

The applicant's agent was present and addressed the Committee during which he advised them that various precautions would be put in place advising occupants that they would be unable to stay on site for twelve continuous months of the year.

The Committee agreed to vary the Caravan Site Licence held by WOW Leisure Ltd in respect of South Links Holiday Park, Montrose to allow all year round opening of the site (1 January to 31 December).

6. NETHER CRAIG HOLIDAY PARK, BY ALYTH

There was submitted Report No 451/14 by the Strategic Director – Communities regarding an application from May Lamb for a transfer of the licence for the Nether Craig Holiday Park, by Alyth previously held by Gordon and Leslie McCormack.

The Committee agreed to approve the transfer of the site licence for Nether Craig Holiday Park, By Alyth, Blairgowrie to May Lamb, 2a Snowdon Place, Stirling, FK8 2NH.

7. APPLICATION TO PLACE ADVERTISEMENT ON A TAXI

There was submitted Report No 452/14 by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services regarding an application to place an advertisement on taxi number T361, the details of which were contained in Appendix 1 to the Report.

The Committee agreed to grant permission to place an advert on taxi T361 on condition that a space of 150mm be left beneath both the front driver's door and front passenger's door to allow for the driver's name and number.

8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Committee resolved, in terms of Standing Order 27(2) that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, so as to avoid the possible disclosure of information which was exempt in terms of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, Paragraphs 3 and 6.

9. NEW APPLICATIONS

There was submitted Report No 453/14 by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on applications received for new licences under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 which required to be determined by the Committee as detailed in the Appendix to the Report.

(a) Taxi Driver's Licence (TD61)

The Committee considered an application for a Taxi Driver's licence received on 18 August 2014 and noted that the applicant had now attended for police interview, had successfully passed the Forfar Knowledge Test and had sat the Kirriemuir Knowledge Test prior to attending the Committee.

The applicant was present and addressed the Committee.

The Committee agreed that the application be granted, subject to the standard conditions and on condition that the applicant passes the full knowledge test.

(b) Market Operator's Licence (MO3)

The Committee considered correspondence from Mr Robinson, Traffic Engineer, and the Planning Enforcement Officer in relation to an application for a Market Operator's Licence received on 16 May 2014 in respect of an area at the Stracathro Service Area, Brechin for Saturdays and Sundays between the hours of 8am and 4pm.

The applicant was not present and the Committee noted that unfortunately no plan showing the location of the market had been submitted.

The Committee noted that the application required to be determined before its next scheduled meeting and agreed that the application be refused on the grounds that the premises were not suitable or convenient for the conduct of the activity having regard to the nature and extent of the proposed activity.