

# ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the **CIVIC LICENSING COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Thursday 12 September 2019 at 10.16am.

**Present:** Councillors CRAIG FOTHERINGHAM, RICHARD MOORE, BRIAN BOYD, COLIN BROWN BEM, BRENDA DURNO, ALEX KING, DAVID LUMGAIR and BETH WHITESIDE

Councillor FOTHERINGHAM, Convener, in the Chair.

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors David Fairweather and Gavin Nicol.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

## 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of meetings of this Committee of 8 August and 15 August 2019 were approved as correct records and signed by the Convener.

## 4. DELEGATED APPROVALS

There was submitted Report No 300/19 by the Director 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 Director 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 18 July 2019 to 20 August 2019.

## 5. TAXIS AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENCES

With reference to Article 5 of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 8 August 2019, there was submitted Report No 301/19 by the Director of Legal and Democratic Services advising members of representations received in respect of the fees charged, and expenses incurred, in relation to taxi and private hire driver and operator licences.

In light of recent representations received, the Committee agreed to defer consideration of the matter and noted that a further report would be submitted to the meeting of this Committee on 31 October 2019.

## \* 6. LICENSING OF TEMPORARY CARAVAN SITES - DELEGATION

There was submitted Report No 302/19 by the Director of Legal and Democratic Services asking the Committee to consider delegating authority to the Director of Communities to grant applications for temporary caravan site licences where the duration of the licence was twenty eight days or less, appropriate planning consents were in place and to determine what, if any, conditions to attach to a site licence, to have regard to the relevant Model Standards for Caravan Sites produced by the Scottish Government.

The Committee agreed to recommend to Angus Council:-

(i) that the Scheme of Delegation to Officers be amended to authorise the Director of Communities to:-

to grant applications for temporary caravan site licences where the duration of the licence was twenty eight days or less, appropriate planning consents were in place and to determine what, if any, conditions to attach to a site licence, to have regard to

the relevant Model Standards for Caravan Sites produced by the Scottish Government.

**7. 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.

**8. NEW APPLICATION**

There was submitted Report No 303/19 by the Director of Legal and Democratic Services regarding an application received for a new licence 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 (TD 92)**

The Committee noted that due to the applicant amending the application to a Private Hire Car Drivers licence, the application had now been granted under delegated powers.