

**GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 8 NOVEMBER 2023**

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**Wednesday 8 November 2023 at 3pm**

**Present:** Provost McKenzie, Councillors Armstrong, Brennan, Cassidy, Crowther, Curley, McCluskey, Moran, Quinn and Reynolds.

**Chair:** Councillor Moran presided.

**In attendance:**

David Keenan	Solicitor (for Head of Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services)
Fiona Denver	Senior Paralegal Licensing Officer
Diane Sweeney	Senior Committee Officer

**In attendance also:** Sergeant I Robertson (Police Scotland).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillors Curley and McCluskey attending remotely.

**The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Board.**

**584      Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest      584**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Wilson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**585      Update Regarding HMRC Tax Conditionality      585**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services providing an update on the introduction and implementation of HMRC tax conditionality obligations in relation to civic licence applications and renewals.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the update in relation to implementation of the tax conditionality obligations upon licensing bodies, such as the Council, which took effect on 2 October 2023 be noted; and
- (2) that it be remitted to officers to provide a further update on this matter in 6 months' time.

**It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.**

**586      Application for Grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence      586**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence which was refused following a vote, all as detailed in the private appendix.