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GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD - 13 NOVEMBER 2013

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Wednesday 13 November 2013 at 3pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McIlwee and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services) and Inspector S Adams, Police Scotland.

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

716 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve.

There were no substitutions or declarations of interest intimated.

717 Taxi Fares Review 2013

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting the Board to determine the taxi fares and scale charges following the annual review.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board that no objections or representations were received within the statutory period of one month following the date of the advertisement. **Decided:** Remit to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services to make the necessary arrangements to implement the new taxi fares and scale charges with effect from Sunday 24 November 2013.

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 items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

718 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: John McLaughlan

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr McLaughlan following a Police objection. Mr McLaughlan was present.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report and consideration of the application had been continued from previous meetings.

The Board heard Inspector Adams in support of the Police objection and Mr McLaughlan in support of his application.

Decided: the application be granted.

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719 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Paul Atkinson

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Atkinson following a Police objection. Mr Atkinson was not present or represented. Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report. The Board heard Inspector Adams in support of the Police objection. **Decided:** the application be refused.

720 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Henry O'Hare

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr O'Hare following a Police representation. Mr O'Hare was present. Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report. The Board heard Inspector Adams in support of the Police representation and Mr

O'Hare in support of his application. **Decided:** the application be granted.

721 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Scott Ellis

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Ellis following a Police representation. Mr Ellis was present.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report.

The Board heard Inspector Adams in support of the Police representation and Mr Ellis in support of his application.

Decided: the application be granted.

722 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 95: SM Taxis Service 722 Inverclyde Ltd

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 95 by SM Taxis Service Inverclyde Ltd following a Police representation.

Ms Stacey Miller, Director, was not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report and that no letter had been submitted by Ms Miller in support of her application.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: to continue consideration to the next meeting of the Board and request Ms Miller to attend.

723 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 152: SM Taxis Service 723 Inverclyde Ltd

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 152 by SM Taxis Service Inverclyde Ltd following a Police representation.

Ms Stacey Miller, Director, was not present or represented.

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Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report and that no letter had been submitted by Ms Miller in support of her application.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: to continue consideration to the next meeting of the Board and request Ms Miller to attend.

724 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 159: SM Taxis Service 724 Inverclyde Ltd

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 159 by SM Taxis Service Inverclyde Ltd following a Police representation.

Ms Stacey Miller, Director, was not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report and that no letter had been submitted by Ms Miller in support of her application.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: to continue consideration to the next meeting of the Board and request Ms Miller to attend.

725 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 227: Mr Anthony 725 McKenzie

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of the General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 227 by Mr McKenzie following a Police representation.

Mr McKenzie was not present or represented.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: the application be granted.

726 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 8: MD Taxi Services 726 Inverclyde Ltd

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of the General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 8 by MD Taxi Services Inverclyde Ltd following a Police representation.

Miss Docherty, Director was not present or represented but had submitted a letter dated 11 October 2013 in support of her application.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: the application be granted.

727 Application for General Hire Taxi Operator Licence Plate 81: MD Taxi Services 727 Inverclyde Ltd

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the renewal of the General Hire Taxi Operator Licence 81 by MD Taxi Services Inverclyde Ltd following a Police representation.

Miss Docherty, Director was not present or represented but had submitted a letter dated 11 October 2013 in support of her application.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the report.

There followed a short discussion.

Decided: the application be granted.