# SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTE of Meeting of the CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE held in Committee Rooms 2 and 3 on Friday, 23 August 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

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Present:-

Councillors J. Greenwell (Chairman), J. Brown, D. Paterson, N. Richards, S. Scott, R. Tatler (para 1 only), E. Thornton-Nicol (para 1 only), G. Turnbull,

T. Weatherston (paras 1 and 4 only).

In Attendance:-

Managing Solicitor – Property and Licensing, Licensing Team Leader, Licensing Standards and Enforcement Officer (Mr M. Wynne), Democratic Services Officer (F. Henderson), Inspector J. McGuigan and PC J Fortune - Police Scotland.

#### 1.0 **MINUTE**

The Minute of the Meeting of 19 July 2019 had been circulated.

DECISION

APPROVED and signed by the Chairman.

#### 2.0 **PRIVATE BUSINESS**

**DECISION** 

AGREED under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the business detailed in the Appendix to this Minute on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Act.

#### **SUMMARY OF PRIVATE BUSINESS**

### **MEMBERS**

Having not been present when the following hearing was first considered Councillors Thornton-Nicol, Tatler and Weatherston did not take part in the discussion and decision and left the Chamber prior to its consideration.

#### 3.0 Hearing to consider request for Revocation of Taxi Driver Licence

With reference to paragraph 5 of the Private Minute of 19 July 2019, there had been circulated copies of a letter from Police Scotland, dated 12 June 2019, requesting the Revocation of a Taxi Driver Licence in terms of paragraph 11(2)(a) of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982. Also circulated was an update from Inspector Kirkwood, Police Scotland which had been requested at the last meeting. The licence holder was present at the meeting. After considering the additional information provided in the update and hearing from both parties, the Committee agreed that the request to revoke the Taxi Driver Licence be refused and did not consider there were any grounds which affected the licensees suitability to continue to hold a licence.

Councillor Weatherston re-joined the meeting prior to consideration of the following paragraph.

## 4.0 Minute

The Private section of the Minute of 19 July 2019 was approved.

The meeting concluded at 10.45 a.m.