SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTE of Meeting of the CIVIC GOVERNMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE held via Microsoft Teams on Friday, 21 August 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

Present:- Councillors J. Greenwell (Chairman), J. Brown, D. Paterson, N. Richards,

S. Scott, R. Tatler, E. Thornton-Nicol, T. Weatherston.

Apologies:- Councillor G. Turnbull.

In Attendance: Managing Solicitor – Property and Licensing, Licensing Team Leader,

Licensing Standards and Enforcement Officer (Mr M. Wynne), Democratic Services Officer (F. Henderson), Inspector S. Granger and PC S. Lackenby -

Police Scotland.

1. **MINUTE**

The Minute of the Meeting of 26 June 2020 had been circulated.

DECISION

APPROVED and signed by the Chairman.

PRIVATE BUSINESS

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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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chairman varied the order of business as shown on the agenda and the Minute reflects the order in which the items were considered at the meeting.

1.0 Hearing to consider suspension of Taxi Driver Licence

There had been circulated copies of a letter requesting suspension of a taxi driver licence dated 22 July 2020, from Police Scotland on the grounds that the licenceholder was no longer a fit and proper person to hold a licence. The licenceholder was present via Microsoft Teams. After hearing both parties, the Committee agreed that no action be taken.

2.0 Hearing to consider grant of Taxi Driver Licence

There had been circulated copies of an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver Licence together with a letter of representation, dated 10 June 2020, from Police Scotland. The applicant was unable to join the meeting via Microsoft teams and had agreed that the application be considered in their absence. After considering the application and the Police letter of representation, the Committee agreed that the application for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

3.0 **Hearing to consider revocation or suspension of Taxi Driver Licence** Prior to the meeting, the matter had been withdrawn from the Agenda.

4.0 Minute

The Private section of the Minute of 26 June 2020 was approved.

The meeting concluded at 10.38 a.m.