

# MINUTE

# B - PUBLIC

## Licensing Committee

Meeting Room, Town Hall, Lerwick

Monday 2 October 2023 at 10.30am

### Present:

C Hughson	S Leask
M Lyall	N Pearson
B Peterson	L Peterson

### Apologies:

T Morton	R Thomson
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### In Attendance (Officers):

P Fraser, Executive Manager – Finance

R Barton, Transport Policy and Projects Officer

P Sutherland, Solicitor

L Adamson, Committee Officer

### Chair

Mr N Pearson, Chair of the Committee, presided.

### Circular

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

### Declarations of Interest

None.

### 04/23 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2023 were confirmed on the motion of Mr Leask, seconded by Ms Peterson.

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 August 2023 were confirmed on the motion of Ms Peterson, seconded by Mrs Hughson.

**On the motion of Mr Pearson, seconded by Ms Peterson, the Committee resolved in terms of subsection 4 of Section 50A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public from this meeting during consideration of the following agenda item on the grounds that it is likely that, if the public were present, there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7A to the said Act.**

### 05/23 Taxi, Private Hire Car and Booking Office Licence Application

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Manager – Transport Planning that sought a decision on the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence application that could not be granted by Officers under delegated authority.

The Committee was advised the applicant was not present. The Committee also noted there was no representative from the Police in attendance.

The Committee decided to admit for consideration the application and were advised of the Police observations.

In referring to the process to be followed by the Committee, the Chair commented that the Committee were unable to ask questions of the applicant or the Police.

Following discussion, and debate, Ms Peterson moved that the Committee approve the grant of a taxi driver's licence. Mrs Hughson seconded. There was no one otherwise minded.

**Decision:**

The Committee approved the grant of a taxi driver's licence.

The meeting concluded at 10.40am.

CHAIR