

**MINUTES of MEETING of PLANNING, PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND LICENSING  
COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD  
on WEDNESDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2016**

**Present:** Councillor David Kinniburgh (Chair)

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| Councillor Gordon Blair        | Councillor Robert G MacIntyre |
| Councillor Robin Currie        | Councillor Donald MacMillan   |
| Councillor Alistair MacDougall | Councillor Alex McNaughton    |
| Councillor Neil MacIntyre      | Councillor Richard Trail      |

**Attending:** Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law  
Kate Connelly, Solicitor  
Sergeant Iain MacNicol, Police Scotland  
Heather Murray, Police Scotland  
Leo Paterson, Applicant  
Robert Paterson, Applicant's Representative

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were intimated from Councillors Colville, Freeman, McCuish, McQueen and Taylor.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

**3. CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982: APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE (L PATERSON, GARELOCHHEAD)**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. He then outlined the procedure that would be followed and invited the Applicant to speak in support of his application.

**Applicant**

The applicant's representative Robert Paterson advised that he would speak on behalf of Leo Paterson. He advised that following the road accident in February 2014, he had been acquitted on 15 August 2016 in relation to the criminal charge of careless driving.

**Police**

Sergeant MacNicol referred to a letter of representation submitted by the Chief Constable which advised of the circumstances surrounding an incident which took place on 11 February 2014 and resulted in the Applicant being acquitted. He advised that he had no further objections to the application.

**Summing Up**

Applicant

Mr Robert Paterson advised that his son was looking forward to being a taxi driver and to give something back to the community.

When asked both parties confirmed that they had received a fair hearing.

### **Debate**

Councillors Trail and McNaughton thought that as he had been acquitted of the offence he should be granted his licence.

### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to grant the renewal of Mr Paterson's Taxi Driver's Licence.

(Reference: Report by Head of Governance and Law, submitted)