

# Minute of Meeting



## General Purposes Committee

Date	Time	Venue
14 May 2019	10.00 am	Council Chamber, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith

### Present:

Councillor Smaill (Chair)	Councillor Alexander
Councillor Baird	Councillor Cassidy
Councillor Curran	Councillor Hackett
Councillor Hardie	Councillor Imrie
Councillor Lay-Douglas	Councillor Muirhead
Councillor McCall	Councillor Munro
Councillor Russell	Councillor Wallace

### In attendance:

Alan Turpie	Legal Services Manager
Inspector Kevin Smith	Police, Scotland
Janet Ritchie	Democratic Services Officer

## 1. Apologies

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Apologies for absence were received for Councillors Johnstone, Parry and Winchester.

## 2. Order of Business

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The order of business was as set out on the Agenda

## 3. Declarations of interest

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Councillor Curran indicated he would be declaring an interest in the applications on the agenda relating to private hire and taxis on the basis of his business interests in the taxi trade.

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The Chair asked for clarification from the Legal Services Manager on 5.1 Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 Decision (c) with regard to the potential liabilities for the Council in relation to sites where owners or operators did not make application for a licence: The Legal Services Manager confirmed that there would no liability to the Council in that regard.

Thereafter the Minute of Meeting of 2 April 2019 was approved.

## 5. Public Reports

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No public reports were submitted.

**Sederunt:** Councillor Curran having previously declared an interest, left the meeting and did not return.

### **Exclusion of Members of the Public**

**In view of the nature of the business to be transacted, the Committee agreed that the public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the undernoted item, as contained in the Addendum hereto, as there might be disclosed exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 6 and 14 of Part I of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973:-**

6.1 Application for a Private Hire Car Driver Licence – T Lind

6.2 Application for a Taxi Driver Licence – J Law

The meeting terminated at 10.40 am