

NOTICE OF MEETING

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Venue: Council Chambers
Midlothian House
Buccleuch Street
Dalkeith

Date: Tuesday 8 January 2013

Time: 2.00 pm

JOHN BLAIR
Director, Corporate Resources

Audio Recording Notice: Please note that this meeting may be recorded. While the Council will comply with its statutory obligations under the Data Protection Act 1998 and the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, the intention is to use the recording for internal purposes only.

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies.
- 2 Order of Business – including notice of new business submitted as urgent for consideration at the end of the meeting.
- 3 Declarations of Interest.
- 4 Minutes of Meeting of 13 November 2012 **(Circulated: Pages 3 – 24)**.
- 5 Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 – Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) :-
 - (a) Procedure for Disposing of Applications for Licences - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 25 – 27)**;
 - (b) Overprovision - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 29 – 51)**
 - (c)
 - (i) Application for Licence - 54 Main Street, Gorebridge – resume consideration - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 53 – 56)** ; and
 - (ii) Application for Renewal of a Licence – Parkhead Lodge, Milton Bridge - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 57 – 61)**;

6 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982:-

- (a) Procedure for Disposing of Applications for Licences - Reports by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 63 - 66)**;
- (b) Street Trading and Pedlars - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 67 – 69)**; and
- (c) Taxis and Private Hire Cars – Proposals for Change - Report by Director, Corporate Resources **(Circulated: Pages 71 – 115)** .

THE COMMITTEE IS INVITED (A) TO CONSIDER RESOLVING TO DEAL WITH THE BUSINESS SHOWN OVERLEAF IN PRIVATE IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 3, 12 AND 14 OF PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973 – THE RELEVANT REPORT THEREFORE IS NOT FOR PUBLICATION; AND (B) TO NOTE THAT NOTWITHSTANDING ANY SUCH RESOLUTION, INFORMATION MAY STILL REQUIRE TO BE RELEASED UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 OR THE ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004.

7 Private Hire Car Driver's Licence – Application for Renewal - Report by Chief Constable **(Circulated under separate cover)**.

18 December 2012