

Resumption of meeting.

6 The meeting resumed at 1200 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Alex Wilson (Chair), Abdul Bostani, Sean Ferguson, Eunis Jassemi, Jill Pidgeon and Hanif Raja.

Apology: Leòdhas Massie.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); K McDonald (for the Director of Legal and Administration); and B Rafferty, Police Scotland.

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian (PD33888) agreed, after division.

7 In terms of Standing Order No 4, there was submitted, as a matter of urgency, a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding the immediate suspension of the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian (PD33888), in terms of paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

(1) advising that

- (a) following receipt of a complaint from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian had been suspended on 7th May 2025 with immediate effect for a period of 6 weeks; and
- (b) the committee was now requested to consider whether it was necessary or appropriate to suspend or revoke the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act; and

(2) attaching correspondence from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, detailing the terms of the said complaint.

Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Ferguson, moved that the committee agree to suspend the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian for the unexpired portion of its duration with immediate effect, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

Bailie Raja, seconded by Councillor Pidgeon, moved as an amendment that the committee agree not to suspend or revoke the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the amendment and 3 for the motion. There being an equality of votes, the Chair gave his casting vote in favour of the motion, which was accordingly declared to be carried and it was agreed to suspend the private hire car driver's licence of Walid Edian for the unexpired

portion of its duration with immediate effect, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the said Act.