

Agenda Item	<b>5</b>
Report No	<b>HLC/31/26</b>

**THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL**

**Committee: HIGHLAND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**Date: 31 March 2026**

**Report title: Applications for the grant or renewal of licences Under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982**

**Report by: Principal Solicitor – Regulatory Services**

**1.0 Purpose/Executive Summary**

1.1 This Report relates to applications which are currently pending for the grant or renewal of licences under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

**2. Recommendation**

2.2 It is recommended that the Committee agree to defer the determination of the foregoing applications, either:

- (a) to allow them to be approved under delegated powers in the event that no objections/representations are received and all outstanding documentation has been received from the applicants; or
- (b) to a future meeting of the Committee when the applications will be determined in terms of the hearings procedure.

### 3.0 Background

3.1 In terms of Section 3(1) of the abovementioned Act all applications require to be determined within 9 months of their application date otherwise the licences will be granted unconditionally for a period of 12 months. Furthermore all applications which have not been dealt with within 3 months must be submitted to the Licensing Committee for consideration.

3.2 The Committee is invited to consider the following applications which are currently pending:-

<b>4.0 Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross Area</b>			
	<b>Name of applicant</b>	<b>Type of licence</b>	<b>Current status</b>
4.1	Brian Travers	Taxi Driver	Awaiting photo from applicant
4.2	North Coast Entertainments	Public Entertainment – Ham Park, Dunnet	Awaiting consultee responses and insurance certificate
4.3	Gary Forbes	Taxi Driver	Awaiting documents and applicant to undertake right to work check and knowledge test
4.4	The Embo Trust	Public Entertainment – The Old School and Grounds, Embo	Awaiting consultee responses and documentation
4.5	Egija Voica	Skin Piercing or Tattooing – The Beauty Lounge, 5 King Street, Tain	Awaiting consultee responses and documentation
4.6	Highland Vehicle Services Ltd	Second Hand Vehicle Dealer – 3b Migdale Industrial Estate, Bonar Bridge	Awaiting consultee responses

<b>5.0 Inverness, Nairn and Badenoch Area</b>			
	<b>Name of applicant</b>	<b>Type of licence</b>	<b>Current status</b>
5.1	Adan Abbas	Taxi Driver	Awaiting taxi knowledge test
5.2	Asmat Ullah	Private Hire Car Driver	Awaiting right to work check
5.3	Yasir Ali	Taxi Driver	Awaiting taxi knowledge test
5.4	Calvin Campbell	Street Trader	Awaiting consultee reply
5.5	Emma Semple	Street Trader	Awaiting consultee reply
5.6	Taigh Lettings Ltd.	House in Multiple Occupation at 8, Southside Place, Inverness	Awaiting further documents

5.7	Danyal Babar	Taxi Driver	Awaiting taxi knowledge test
5.8	Autovision (Scotland) Ltd	Second Hand Vehicle Dealer at 40, Harbour Road Inverness	Awaiting further documents
5.9	Mitchells Motorcycles	Second Hand Vehicle Dealer at Delmore Inverness	Awaiting further documents
5.10	Glenfold Ltd t/a Inverness Taxis	Taxi Operator	Awaiting further documents
5.11	Groove Festival LLP	Public Entertainment at The Gathering Festival & Concert, Northern Meeting Park, Ardross Street, Inverness	Undergoing SAG process
5.12	Strathnairn Hall Management Committee	Public Entertainment at Daviot Hall, Inverness	Awaiting further documents
5.13	Senga Heenan	Skin Piercing & Tattooing at Bellezza Salon, Unit 4, 1a Barn Church Road, Inverness	Awaiting further documents and consultee replies
5.14	Michael Iain Ross	Taxi Driver	Awaiting taxi knowledge test
5.15	Antony Maciver	Taxi Driver	Awaiting further documents
5.16	Antony Maciver	Taxi Operator	Awaiting further documents
5.17	Ryan Mair	Street Trader	Awaiting consultee response
5.18	Carrbridge Ahead Ltd (Community Company)	Public Entertainment Variation at Carrbridge Playing Field, Carrbridge	Awaiting consultee responses
5.19	Blacks Outdoor Retail Ltd	Knife Dealer at GO Outdoors Express, 111 Grampian Road, Aviemore	Awaiting document
5.20	Mohammed Alom	Private Hire Car Driver	Awaiting right to work check and foreign conviction check
5.21	Maurice Sutherland	Street Trader	Awaiting document
5.22	Tesco Stores Ltd	Late Hours Catering at Tesco Metro, Grampian Road, Aviemore	Awaiting document
5.23	David Duff	Street Trader	Awaiting photo
5.24	Mairi Duff	Street Trader Employee	Awaiting photo
5.25	The Sun Lounge (Highland) Ltd	Public Entertainment (UV Sun Tanning) at The Sun Lounge, 2 Cawdor Street, Nairn	Awaiting consultee response
5.26	Callum McKenzie	Taxi Driver	Awaiting medical
5.27	Najum Hassan	Private Hire Car Driver	Awaiting photo

<b>6.0</b>	<b>Ross, Skye and Lochaber Area</b>		
	<b>Name of applicant</b>	<b>Type of licence</b>	<b>Current status</b>
6.1	Robert Macleod	Knife Dealer for 59 High Street, Dingwall	Awaiting responses
	High Life Highland	Public Entertainment for Dingwall Academy	Awaiting responses
	High Life Highland	Public Entertainment for Gairloch Leisure Centre	Awaiting responses
	Highland Tan Ltd	Temporary Public Entertainment for Unit 3, Elder Lane, Conon Bridge	Awaiting responses
	Highland Tan Ltd	Full 3-year Public Entertainment for Unit 3, Elder Lane, Conon Bridge	Awaiting responses
	SPCT	Public Entertainment for Strathpeffer Pavilion	Awaiting responses
6.2	William D Scott	Taxi Driver	Awaiting right to work check & taxi knowledge test
6.3	Melissa Donaldson & Keiran Donaldson	Taxi Operator	Awaiting further documents
6.4	Thomas Cameron	Taxi Driver	Awaiting right to work check & taxi knowledge test
6.5	Trevor Cant	Taxi Driver	Awaiting taxi knowledge test
6.6	Brennan Macdonald	Taxi Driver	Awaiting right to work check & taxi knowledge test
6.7	Highlife Highland	Public Entertainment – Sunart Centre, Strontian	Awaiting further documents & consultee responses

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Background Papers: Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982