

## **REGULATORY PANEL (SPECIAL).**

Minutes of a Special Meeting in the County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr on  
16th December 2010 at 8.45 a.m.

Present: Councillors Alec Oattes (Chair), Andy Campbell, Ian Douglas and Ann Galbraith.

Apologies: Councillors John Allan, Ian Fitzsimmons, Sandra Goldie and Bill Grant.

Attending: C. Neillie, Solicitor; D. Scobie, Licensing Monitoring Officer; and J. McClure, Committee Administrative Officer.

In Attendance: Inspector W. Ramsay and Sergeant U. Menzies, Strathclyde Police.

### **1. Exclusion of press and public.**

The Panel resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, that the press and public be excluded only from the following item of business on the agenda, on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information in terms of paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

### **2. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Suspension of a Taxi Driver – John Hart Martin.**

There was submitted a report (issued to members only) of 14th December 2010 by the Executive Director - Corporate Services and letter from Strathclyde Police (issued to members only) of 14th December 2010, in respect of safety concerns in relation to the holder of a private hire driver's licence, namely John Hart Martin.

**Decided:** to suspend the taxi driver's licence held by John Hart Martin with immediate effect, until the next meeting of the Regulatory Panel, scheduled to take place on 20th January 2011, when this matter would be considered further.

The meeting ended at 8.50 a.m.