

**THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL
CORPORATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE'S
NON DOMESTIC RATES APPEALS COMMITTEE**

Minute of Meeting of the Corporate
Resources Committee's Non
Domestic Rates Appeals Committee
held Remotely on Thursday, 20
May, 2021 at 10.30 a.m.

PRESENT:

Mr J Gray
Mr M Reiss
Mr D Louden
Mr P Saggars

In Attendance:-

Mrs T Batchelor, Acting Principal Solicitor, Performance & Governance Service
(Adviser to the Committee)

The Appellant

Mr B Murison, Revenues Manager (Revenues Side), Resources & Finance
Service

Mrs R Wheeler, Principal Revenues Officer (Revenues Side), Resources &
Finance Service

Mr A MacInnes, Administrative Assistant, Performance & Governance Service
(Clerk)

Mr J Gray in the Chair

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1. Apologies

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Dr I Cockburn.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee **RESOLVED** that under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 the public be excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

4. Non Domestic Rates Appeal - Rating Liability

There had been circulated a written Statement of Case prepared by the Revenues Side, a written Statement of Case prepared by the Appellant, and a copy of the Code of Practice for Non Domestic Rates Appeals of The Highland Council.

The Chairman welcomed both parties to the meeting.

Thereafter, in accordance with the Appeals Procedure, the Revenues Side, presented their case. Thereafter, the Appellant presented her case to the Committee.

Following questioning and after the Revenues Side and the Appellant had summed up their respective cases, both parties withdrew to allow the Committee to deliberate in private.

Having given careful consideration to the various issues raised, the Committee **AGREED** that the grounds of the appeal had not been substantiated and the appeal be not upheld.

The meeting ended at 12.15 pm.