

**SPECIAL GENERAL PURPOSES LICENSING SUB - 24 July 1996**

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Motherwell, 24 July 1996 at 10 am.

A Special Meeting of the **GENERAL PURPOSES LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Craig, Convener; Councillors Barrie, E. Burns, Chadha, Clarke, Combe and McKendrick.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Head of Legal Services, Chief Solicitor (Licensing) and Solicitor (Licensing).

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Chief Inspector McLeod and Sergeant Craig "D" Division, Chief Superintendent Burnside, Sergeant Jamieson and Mr. Slamin, "P" Division, Strathclyde Police.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Selfridge and Shaw.

**CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 - LICENCE APPLICATIONS**

**HEARINGS**

(1) TEMPORARY PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE - FUNFAIR - CARDOWAN PARK,  
FRANKFIELD ROAD, STEPPS, 7-20 OCTOBER 1996 - MICHAEL STIRLING

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1. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of this Sub-Committee held on 4 July 1996, the Head of Legal Services reported (1) that consideration of an application for a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence by Michael Stirling, to hold a Funfair at Cardowan Park, Stepps, from 7 to 20 October 1996, had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application; (2) that an objection had been received to the grant of the Temporary Licence, and (3) that the objector was present at the meeting.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee heard (1) the applicant speak in support of his application; (2) the objector, Councillor Wallace, in respect of his objection, and (3) Chief Inspector McLeod in regard to the matter.

**Decision:** that the application by Michael Stirling, for a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence to hold a Funfair at Cardowan Park, Stepps, from 7 to 20 October 1996 be refused.

**(2) LICENCE APPLICATIONS - BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

2. The Sub-Committee agreed to take up as an additional item, the above matter which had not been included in the agenda calling the meeting. The reason for the urgency was that this matter should be resolved in advance of future licence application hearings.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee considered proposals in regard to background papers for hearings.

**Decided:**

- (1) that background documents in relation to hearings for licence applications would be made available at meetings to Sub-Committee members, and

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- (2) that time would be given to Sub-Committee members to peruse the documents made available to them at each meeting.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 or 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

**(3) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION**

**GURSURAN RAKHRA, 69 MEDLAR ROAD, CUMBERNAULD**

3. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of this Sub-Committee held on 4 July 1996, the Head of Legal Services reported (1) that consideration of an application for a Street Trader's Licence by Gursuran Rakhra had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application; (2) that the applicant, together with his colleague, Ms. Stark would speak in support of the application; (3) that trade objections to the grant of the licence had been lodged, and (4) that a representative on behalf of the trade objectors was present at the meeting.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee heard the applicant and Ms. Stark speak in support of the application and Mr. Hunter in respect of the trade objections.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

It was agreed that the meeting be adjourned for a short period in order that the Head of Legal

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Services could make enquiries on a legal point raised during consideration of the application whereupon the applicant, the applicant's colleague and the objector withdrew from the meeting.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee heard the Head of Legal Services report on the legal matter raised, afterwhich it was:

**Decided:**

- (1) that consideration of the application be continued to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee on 8 August 1996.
- (2) that the applicant, his colleague and the objector who were waiting outside, be advised immediately of the Sub-Committee's decision to continue consideration of the matter, and
- (3) that the applicant, his colleague and the objector be invited to attend the meeting on 8 August 1996 in relation to the application and objection.

**(4) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION**

**JOHN DOUGLAS, 18 BABYLON DRIVE, BELLSHILL**

4. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Minute of this Sub-Committee held on 4 July 1996, the Head of Legal Services reported that consideration of an application for a Street Trader's Licence by John Douglas had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application. The Sub-Committee heard the applicant speak in support of his application, and Chief Superintendent Burnside in respect of the matter.

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Thereafter, the applicant and representatives of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

**Decided:** that the application by John Douglas for a Street Trader's Licence be granted.

**The Police were re-admitted to the meeting.**

**(5) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL**

**DAVID PEARSON, 56 CURLINGHAUGH CRESCENT, WISHAW**

5. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of this Sub-Committee held on 4 July 1996, the Head of Legal Services reported that consideration of an application for Renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by David Pearson had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

The Sub-Committee heard the applicant speak in support of his application and Chief Superintendent Burnside in respect of the matter.

Thereafter, the applicant and representatives of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

In terms of Standing Order Number 25 the dissent of Councillor E. Burns was recorded.

**Decided:** that the application by David Pearson for Renewal of his Taxi Driver's Licence be granted for one year.

The Police were re-admitted to the meeting.

(6) TAXI LICENCE (OPERATOR) AND TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWALS

DANIEL GOWER, 63 HILLHOUSE ROAD, HAMILTON

6. With reference to paragraph 15 of the Minute of this Sub-Committee held on 6 June 1996, the Head of Legal Services reported (1) that consideration of an application for Renewal of a Taxi Licence and an application for Renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Daniel Gower had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application, and (2) that a letter dated 17 July 1996 from the applicant's solicitor, T. G. Bradshaw and Company, had been received in support of the applications.

The Sub-Committee heard the applicant speak in support of his applications and Chief Superintendent Burnside in respect of the matter.

Thereafter, the applicant and representatives of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

**Decided:** that the applications by Daniel Gower for Renewal of his Taxi Licence and Taxi Driver's Licence be granted for one year.