

Motherwell, 8 October 2001 at 9.30 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Holloway, Convener; Councillors, Chadha, Connelly, Devine, Gormill, Homer, Irvine, Love and J. Martin.

CHAIR

Councillor Holloway (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer; Head of Legal Services; Chief Solicitor (Licensing), and Senior Solicitor (Licensing).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Docherty, Sergeant Urban and Constable McCann, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Barrie, Cefferty and Heberton

LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION

1. The Sub-Committee considered an application received for a Late Hours Catering Licence, and resolved as follows, viz:-

Applicant: Kerim Cirik, 76 Elie Avenue, Deans, Livingston

Premises: 66 Mansefield Road, Bellshill

Decided: that the application by Kerim Cirik for a Late Hours Catering Licence be granted.

INDOOR SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE - RENEWAL

2. The Sub-Committee considered an application received for the renewal of an Indoor Sports Entertainment Licence, and resolved as follows, viz:-

Applicant: North Lanarkshire Council per Director of Community Services, Buchanan Business Park, Cumbernauld Road, Stepps and John McCance, Wishaw Sports Centre, Alexander Street, Wishaw

Premises: Wishaw Sports Centre, Alexander Street, Wishaw

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of the application.

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION

3. The Sub-Committee considered an application for a Taxi Driver's Licence, and resolved as follows, viz:-

Applicant: David Murdoch, 19 Mauldslie Drive, Law

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

4. The Sub-Committee considered applications received for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence, and resolved as follows, viz:-

Applicant: Gerard McCabe, 8 Merkland Road, Townhead, Coatbridge

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application

Applicant: Martin Gallacher, 20 Hutchison Place, Coatbridge

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL

5. The Sub-Committee considered an application for the renewal of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence, and resolved as follows, viz:-

Applicant: John Grant, 1 Kingsley Court, Spindlehowe, Uddingston

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - COMPLAINT

6. The Head of Legal Services advised the Sub-Committee of a complaint received by the Chief Constable relative to the behaviour of William Michael Gribbon, 28 Willow Crescent, Coatbridge.

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in relation to the complaint.

WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - ALLEGED BREACH OF LICENCE CONDITION

7. The Head of Legal Services advised the Sub-Committee that various window cleaners had allegedly breached one of their Licence conditions.

Decided: that consideration be continued to allow the following window cleaners an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in relation to the allegation viz:-

- (1) Peter McGill, 49 Morrison Quadrant, Linnvale, Clydebank
- (2) Darren Rix, 58 Gallowhill Road, Paisley
- (3) Simon Taylor, 89 Milcroft Road, South Carbrain, Cumbernauld

HEARINGS

(1) SECOND HAND DEALER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL - GOLDCRAFT PER PAUL ROYSE, 8 LARCHFIELD CRESCENT, WISHAW AND ELAINE ADAIR, 202 BONKLE ROAD, NEWMAINS

8. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by Paul Royse, 8 Larchfield Crescent, Wishaw and Elaine Adair, 202 Bonkle Road, Newmains for the renewal of their Second Hand Dealer's Licence had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of their application.

The Administrative Officer indicated that Elaine Adair was not in attendance.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Superintendent Docherty speak in relation to the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Paul Royse and Elaine Adair for the renewal of their Second Hand Dealer's Licence in respect of the jewellery premises at Goldcraft, 116a Manse Road, Newmains be granted.

(2) LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - KHALID MUHAMMAD ANWAR, 4 GALSTON COURT, HAMILTON

9. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by Khalid Muhammad Anwar, 4 Galston Court, Hamilton for a Late Hours Catering in respect of the premises at 101 Cambusnethan Street, Wishaw 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 objections to the application had been received from Mr Reid, 70 Cambusnethan Street, Wishaw and Mrs Murray, 72 Cambusnethan Street, Wishaw.

The Administrative Officer indicated that Mr Reid and Mrs Murray were not in attendance.

The Sub-Committee then heard Head of Legal Services outline Mr Reid and Mrs Murray's objections to the application and Khalid Muhammad Anwar's agent, Mr Wali, Watters Stephen & Co, Solicitors, speak in support of the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Khalid Muhammad Anwar for a Late Hours Catering Licence in respect of the premises at 101 Cambusnethan Street, Wishaw be granted.

(3) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWALS

(a) WILLIAM CARTER, 14 COURSINGTON GARDENS, MOTHERWELL

10. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by William Carter, 14 Coursington Gardens, Motherwell for the renewal of his Taxi Driver's Licence 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 then heard the applicant and Superintendent Docherty speak in relation to the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by William Carter for the renewal of his Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(b) BRIAN REARDON, 16 GREENBANK ROAD, WISHAW

11. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by Brian Reardon, 16 Greenbank Road, Wishaw for the renewal of his Licence 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 then heard the applicant and Superintendent Docherty speak in relation to the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Brian Reardon for the renewal of his Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(4) PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) JOHN JAMES DAISLEY, 275 WOODHALL AVENUE, KIRKSHAWS, COATBRIDGE

12. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by John James Daisley, 275 Woodhall Avenue, Kirkshaws, Coatbridge for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that John James Daisley was not in attendance.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter in the applicant's absence.

Decided: that the application by John James Daisley for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

(b) BRYAN BLACKHALL, 119A GRAHAM STREET, AIRDRIE

13. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by Bryan Blackhall, 119A Graham Street, Airdrie for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence 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 then heard the applicant and Superintendent Docherty speak in respect of the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Bryan Blackhall for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(c) GERALD DUFFY, 5 BUCHANAN GROVE, BAILLIESTON, GLASGOW

14. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Gerald Duffy, 5 Buchanan Grove, Baillieston, Glasgow for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received; (2) that the Chief Constable had objected to the application, and (3) that Gerald Duffy had spent convictions.

The Sub-Committee, having enquired as to the age and general nature of the spent convictions, were provided, in broad terms, with such information by Superintendent Docherty who advised why, in the Chief Constable's opinion, full details of Gerald Duffy spent convictions should be disclosed. The applicant then advised that he had no objections to the spent convictions being disclosed.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Docherty give details of the spent convictions and outline the Chief Constable's objections and Gerald Duffy and Mr Gallacher speak in support of his application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Gerald Duffy for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

**(5) APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE AND SUSPENSION HEARING
IN RESPECT OF PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - MARTIN MCALEER,
14 PETERSBURN PLACE, AIRDRIE**

15. With reference to paragraph 23 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 16 August 2001 when consideration of (1) an application by Martin McAleer, 14 Petersburn Place, Airdrie for a Private Hire Car Licence, and (2) the suspension of his Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be continued to allow Martin McAleer another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Superintendent Docherty speak in relation to the application.

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

The applicant and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Martin McAleer for a Private Hire Car Licence be granted and that no action be taken in respect of suspension of his Private Hire Car Driver's Licence.