

**Motherwell, 19 November 2001 at 9.30 am.**

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

**PRESENT**

Councillor Holloway, Convener; Councillors Barrie, Connelly, Gormill, Hebenton, Love and J. Martin.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Holloway (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Chief Superintendent Buchan and Sergeant Urban, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

**APOLOGY**

Councillor Chadha.

**HEARINGS**

**(1) INDOOR SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE - RENEWAL - NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL PER DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, BUCHANAN BUSINESS PARK, CUMBERNAULD ROAD, STEPPS AND JOHN McCANCE, WISHAW SPORTS CENTRE, ALEXANDER STREET, WISHAW**

1. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the Special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 8 October 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by North Lanarkshire Council per Director of Community Services, Buchanan Business Park, Cumbernauld Road, Stepps and John McCance, Wishaw Sports Centre, Alexander Street, Wishaw for an Indoor Sports Entertainment Licence in respect of Wishaw Sports Centre, Alexander Street, Wishaw had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in relation to the application, and (2) that an objection to the application had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment.

The Head of Legal Services advised that the Director of Community Services had intimated an apology for the absence of a representative at the meeting.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr. Cowie, Building Control Manager, Department of Planning and Environment outline the Director of Planning and Environment's objections to the application.

**Decided:** that consideration of the application by North Lanarkshire Council per Director of Community Services and John McCance, be further continued to allow the applicants another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of the application.

**(2) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS**

**(a) EKATERINA ANDERSON, 3B CROWWOOD DRIVE, AIRDRIE**

2. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by Ekaterina Anderson, 3B Crowwood Drive, Airdrie for a Street Trader's Licence, to enable her to trade from her static snack van at Kirkshaws Road, Coatbridge, had been received, and (2) that an objection to the application had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr. McIlhatton, Transportation Section, Department of Planning and Environment outline the Director of Planning and Environment's objections to the application and Ekaterina Anderson speak in support of her application.

**Decided:** that the application by Ekaterina Anderson for a Street Trader's Licence be continued for a site visit.

**(b) CHERYL ANDERSON, 11 BOWLING GREEN STREET, BELLSHILL**

3. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Cheryl Anderson, 11 Bowling Green Street, Bellshill for a Street Trader's Licence in her capacity as employee of a Licensed Street Trader, to enable her to trade from a static snack van at the Bruce Medical Centre, Bruce Street, Bellshill, had been received, and (2) that the application had subsequently been withdrawn.

**Decided:** that it be noted that the application by Cheryl Anderson for a Street Trader's Licence had been withdrawn.

**(c) GRANT ANDREW ROBERTSON, 223 O'WOOD AVENUE, HOLYTOWN**

4. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Grant Andrew Robertson, 223 O'Wood Avenue, Holytown for a Street Trader's Licence, to enable him to trade from his static snack van at the Bruce Medical Centre, Bruce Street, Bellshill, had been received, and (2) that an objection to the application had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr. Little, Transportation Section, Department of Planning and Environment, outline the Director of Planning and Environment's objections to the application and Grant Andrew Robertson speak in support of his application.

**Decided:** that the application by Grant Andrew Robertson for a Street Trader's Licence be continued for a site visit.

**Councillor J Martin declared an interest in the following application and took no part in the consideration thereof.**

**(d) SELINA ROBERTSON, 223 O'WOOD AVENUE, HOLYTOWN**

5. The Head of Legal Services advised that an application by Selina Robertson, 223 O'Wood Avenue, Holytown for a Street Trader's Licence in her capacity as an employee of a Licensed Street Trader, to enable her to trade from a static snack van at the Bruce Medical Centre, Bruce Street, Bellshill, had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant speak in respect of the application.

**Decided:** that the application by Selina Robertson for a Street Trader's Licence in her capacity as an employee of a licensed street trader be granted.

**(3) PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE AND PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL  
DAVID PEAT, 56 LOMOND ROAD, TOWNHEAD, COATBRIDGE**

6. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 13 September 2001, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by David Peat, 56 Lomond Drive, Townhead, Coatbridge for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence and 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 applications.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Mr. Smith, Senior Social Worker, Criminal Justice, Department of Social Work speak in relation to the application.

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

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

**Decided:** that the application by David Peat for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence and Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

**(4) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - WILLIAM PALMER,  
109 BELMONT DRIVE, SPRINGHILL SHOTTS**

7. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by William Palmer, 109 Belmont Drive, Springhill, Shotts for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received; (2) that the Chief Constable had objected to the application, and (3) that William Palmer 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 Chief Superintendent Buchan who advised why, in the Chief Constable's opinion, full details of William Palmer spent convictions should be disclosed. The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant advise he had no objection to his spent convictions being disclosed.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee decided that full details of William Palmer's spent convictions should be disclosed.

The Sub-Committee then heard Chief Superintendent Buchan give details of the spent convictions and outline the Chief Constable's objections, and William Palmer speak in support of his 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 Palmer for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.