

Motherwell, 5 March 2002 at 2 pm.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Holloway, Convener; Councillors Cefferty, Connelly, Devine, Gormill and J. Martin.

CHAIR

Councillor Holloway (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer; Chief Solicitor (Licensing), and Senior Solicitor (Licensing).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Low, Sergeant Urban and A. Cook, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Barrie, Chadha, Homer, Irvine and Love.

HEARINGS

(1) STREET TRADERS - COMPLAINT

1. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 24 January 2002 when consideration of a complaint in respect of street traders trading near to St. Ambrose School, Coatbridge, was continued for a site visit and hearing, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the complaint.

Decided: that the complaint in respect of street traders trading near to St. Ambrose High School be noted.

(2) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - JOHN McDADE, 60 WEST AVENUE, VIEWPARK, UDDINGSTON

2. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 24 January 2001, the Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that consideration of an application by John McDade, 60 West Avenue, Viewpark, Uddingston for a Street Trader's Licence to enable him to trade from his static snack van at Belgrave Street, Bellshill Industrial Estate, Bellshill, had been continued for a site visit and hearing, and (2) that objections to the application had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment and from Mr. Laidlaw, a local trader.

The Sub-Committee then heard John McDade's agent, Mr. McLean, John Owens and Company, Solicitors, advise that his client had requested that his application be amended as he now wished to trade from Larkin Way, Bellshill Industrial Estate.

The Sub-Committee then heard (1) Mr. A. Little, Senior Roads Engineer/Officer indicate that the Director of Planning and Environment had no objections to Mr. McDade amending his application to reflect trading from Larkin Way; (2) Mr. Laidlaw outline his objections to the request, and (3) Mr. McLean speak in respect of the amended application.

Thereafter Mr. McDade, Mr. McLean, Mr. Little, Mr. Laidlaw and representatives of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

Mr. McDade, Mr. McLean, Mr. Little, Mr. Laidlaw and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the amended application by John McDade for a Street Trader's Licence to enable him to trade from his static snack van at Larkin Way, Bellshill Industrial Estate, Bellshill be granted.

(3) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - BRIAN LENNON, 16A LANGLOAN STREET, COATBRIDGE

3. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application by Brian Lennon, 16A Langloan Street, Langloan, Coatbridge, for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) of the background relative hereto.

The Administration Officer indicated that Brian Lennon was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that the application by Brian Lennon for a Taxi Driver's Licence be refused.

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

(a) MARK THOMAS SNEDDON, 88 CARLISLE ROAD, AIRDRIE

4. With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 21 February 2002, the Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that consideration of an application by Mark Thomas Sneddon, 88 Carlisle Road, Airdrie, for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application, and (2) that Mark Thomas Sneddon had indicated that he was unable to attend the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Mark Thomas Sneddon for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be further continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

(b) ANDREW WATSON, 24 KNOWENOBLE STREET, CLELAND

5. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 13 December 2001, the Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised that consideration of an application by Andrew Watson, 24 Knowenoble Street, Cleland 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 Law 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 Andrew Watson for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.