

Motherwell, 28 October 2002 at 9.30 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillors Barrie, Connelly, Devine, Gormill, Hebenton, Homer, Irvine, Love and J. Martin.

CHAIR

In the absence of Councillor Holloway (Convener), Councillor Connelly was appointed to the Chair.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Superintendent Buchan and Constable McCann, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Cefferty, Chadha and Holloway.

HEARINGS

(1) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) GEORGE BRODERICK, 2 ROXBURGH DRIVE, COATBRIDGE

1. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by George Broderick, 2 Roxburgh Drive, Coatbridge for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received; (2) of the background relative thereto, and (3) that George Broderick had indicated that he was unable to be in attendance.

Decided: that consideration of the application by George Broderick for a Taxi Driver's Licence be continued to allow George Broderick another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

(b) IAN LYNCH, 51 KEIR HARDIE AVENUE, HOLYTOWN

2. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 14 October 2002, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by Ian Lynch, 51 Keir Hardie Avenue, Holytown for a 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 Chief Superintendent Buchan 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 Ian Lynch for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(c) DAVID THOMAS MacDONALD, 16 PATERSON DRIVE, LAW

3. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 14 October 2002, the Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by David Thomas MacDonald, 16 Paterson Drive, Law for a 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, and (2) that a late representation had been received from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police.

Having heard Chief Superintendent Buchan explain the reason for the representation by the Chief Constable being submitted late, the applicant advised that he had no objections to the representation being considered.

The Sub-Committee heard the applicant speak in support of his application and Chief Superintendent Buchan speak in respect of the Chief Constable's representation.

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 David Thomas MacDonald for a Taxi Driver's Licence be refused.

**(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - JOHN LESLIE PUGH,
71 WINGATE STREET, WISHAW**

4. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 14 October 2002, the Head of Legal Services advised (1) that consideration of an application by John Leslie Pugh, 71 Wingate Street, Wishaw 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, and (2) that John Leslie Pugh had indicated that he was unable to be in attendance.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the application in the applicant's absence.

The Sub-Committee then heard Chief Superintendent Buchan speak in respect of the application.

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

The Representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

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

(3) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) CHRIS MEECHAN, 22 NEIDPATH AVENUE, SHAWHEAD, COATBRIDGE

5. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 8 October 2002, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by Chris Meechan, 22 Neidpath Avenue, Shawhead, Coatbridge for a Window Cleaner'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 Chief Superintendent Buchan 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 representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Chris Meechan was no longer in attendance.

Decided: that the application by Chris Meechan for a Window Cleaner's Licence be refused.

(b) JOHN PAUL MEECHAN, 22 NEIDPATH AVENUE, SHAWHEAD, COATBRIDGE

6. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 8 October 2002, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application by John Paul Meechan, 22 Neidpath Avenue, Shawhead, Coatbridge for a Window Cleaner'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 Paul Meechan was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that the application by John Paul Meechan for a Window Cleaner's Licence be refused.

(4) SECOND HAND DEALER'S LICENCE - NAVID MOHAMMED, 60 CHURCH STREET, NEWARTHILL

7. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Navid Mohammed, 60 Church Street, Newarthill for a Second Hand Dealer's Licence to enable him to trade in second hand car sales at 60 Church Street, Newarthill had been received, and (2) that objections to the application had been received from a number of local residents and Newarthill Community Council.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant request that consideration of the application be continued to allow him an opportunity to seek legal advice.

Decided: that the application by Navid Mohammed for a Second Hand Dealer's Licence be continued to allow him to seek legal advice.