

**Motherwell, 27 March 2003 at 11 am.**

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

**PRESENT**

Councillor Holloway, Convener; Councillors Barrie, Chadha, Connelly, Devine, Gormill, Heberton, Irvine, and J. Martin.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Holloway (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

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

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Cefferty and Love.

**HEARINGS**

**(1) LATE HOURS CATERING LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - JAVED GAFOOR, 5 CEDAR GARDENS, NEWARTHILL**

1. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application by Javed Gafoor, 5 Cedar Gardens, Newarthill for a Late Hours Catering Licence in respect of the premises at Unit 5, 146 Main Street, Holytown had been received; (2) that objections to the application had been received from (a) Mr. and Mrs Crawford, 118 Main Street, Holytown, and (b) Councillor Coyle, local Elected Member, and (3) that Javed Gafoor had intimated he would not be in attendance and that he had requested that consideration of the application be continued.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr and Mrs Crawford and Councillor Coyle advise that they had no objection to the application by Javed Gafoor being continued.

**Decided:** that consideration of the application by Javed Gafoor for a Late Hours Catering Licence be continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

**(2) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL - SAMUEL WRIGHT, 18 MAINS ROAD, HARTHILL**

2. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Samuel Wright, 18 Mains Road, Harthill for the renewal of his Street Trader's Licence to enable him to trade from his static snack van at West Main Street, Harthill had been received; (2) that an objection to the application (tabled) had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment, and (3) that Mr. Wright had indicated that he was unable to be in attendance.

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

The Sub-Committee then heard John Crow, Roads and Transportation Section, Department of Planning and Environment outline the Director of Planning and Environment's objection to the application and Chief Superintendent Buchan outline his observations on the application.

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

Mr Crow and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by Samuel Wright for the renewal of his Street Trader's Licence be granted.

### **(3) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS**

#### **(a) ELIZABETH MITCHELL MEECHAN, 9 GOLSPIE AVENUE, AIRDRIE**

3. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of the special meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 28 February 2003, the Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that consideration of an application (tabled) by Elizabeth Mitchell Meechan, 9 Golspie Avenue, Airdrie for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from her static snack van at South Caldeen Road, Coatbridge had been continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in respect of the alternative location on South Caldeen Road, proposed by the Director of Planning and Environment; (2) that an objection to the application (tabled) had been received from Christie Bakers, and (3) that Christie Bakers had intimated that a representative was unable to be in attendance.

The Sub-Committee then resumed consideration of the matter in the objector's absence.

The Sub-Committee then heard Elizabeth Mitchell Meechan's agent, Mr. Fagan, Matteo Fagan and Young, Solicitors, (1) advise the Sub-Committee that his client had agreed to the proposed alternative location, and (2) speak in support of the application.

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

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

**Decided:** that the application by Elizabeth Mitchell Meechan for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from her static snack van at the alternative location on the south west side of South Caldeen Road, 75 metres south of the junction at Caldeen Road/South Caldeen Road, Coatbridge be granted.

**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 item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 6 and 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.**

#### **(b) GRAHAM MARTIN MEECHAN, 9 GOLSPIE AVENUE, AIRDRIE**

4. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Graham Martin Meechan, 9 Golspie Avenue, Airdrie for a Street Trader's Licence to enable him to trade from a static snack van at South Caldeen Road, Coatbridge had been received, and (2) that a late objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police.

Having heard Chief Superintendent Buchan explain the reason for the Chief Constable's objection being submitted late, the applicant's agent, Mr. Fagan, Matteo Fagan and Young, Solicitors, advised that his client had no objection to the Chief Constable's objection being considered.

The Sub-Committee then heard Chief Superintendent Buchan outline the Chief Constable's objection (tabled) to the application and Mr. Fagan speak in respect of the application.

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

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

**Decided:** that consideration of the application by Graham Martin Meechan for a Street Trader's Licence be continued.