

Motherwell, 19 January 2007 at 11 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Holloway, Convener; Provost Connelly; Councillors Barrie, Chadha, Gormill, Irvine, McAuley, J. Martin and Saunders.

CHAIR

Councillor Holloway (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Dillon and Sergeant Harkin, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Cefferty and McKenna.

PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

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

Applicant: Joseph Graham, 97 Torbrex Road, Cumbernauld

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: John McRavey, 2324 Gartloch Road, Gartcosh

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

TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION

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

Applicant: John Hughes, 127 Dalriada Crescent, Motherwell

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

STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION

3. The Sub-Committee considered an application received for a Street Trader's Licence, and were advised that a late representation had been received from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Dillon explain the reason for the Chief Constable's representation being submitted late.

The Sub-Committee, on resuming consideration of the application, resolved as follows, viz:-

- Applicant:** Allan MacIntyre, 52 Cherrybank Walk, Airdrie (Employee)
- Nature of Business:** Static Snack Van
- Location:** Drumpellier Country Park, 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.

SUSPENSION HEARINGS

WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - BREACHES OF LICENCE CONDITION

(1) ADAM ANGUS, 8 CHEVIOT COURT, AIRDRIE

4. The Head of Legal Services advised that Adam Angus, 8 Cheviot Court, Airdrie, who currently held a Window Cleaner's Licence, had allegedly breached a condition of his licence by not submitting to the Council a copy of his public liability insurance.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Adam Angus was not in attendance.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter in Adam Angus' absence.

- Decided:** that the Window Cleaner's Licence currently held by Adam Angus be suspended for the unexpired duration of the Licence effective from 23 February 2007.

(2) IVAN SHAW, 73 CARDOWAN DRIVE, BLACKWOOD, CUMBERNAULD

5. The Head of Legal Services advised that Ivan Shaw, 73 Cardowan Drive, Blackwood, Cumbernauld, who currently held a Window Cleaner's Licence, had allegedly breached a condition of his licence by not submitting to the Council a copy of his public liability insurance.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Ivan Shaw was not in attendance.

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

- Decided:** that the Window Cleaner's Licence currently held by Ivan Shaw be suspended for the unexpired duration of the Licence effective from 23 February 2007.

HEARINGS

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

(a) JAMES BAIN, 49 CORNHILL DRIVE, GARTSHERRIE, COATBRIDGE

6. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application (tabled) by James Bain, 49 Cornhill Drive, Gartsherrie, Coatbridge for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) of the background relative thereto.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Superintendent Dillon 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 James Bain for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(b) MOHAMMED ABRAR, 99 DALSHANNON FARM COTTAGE, MAIN STREET, CONDORRAT, CUMBERNAULD

7. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 14 December 2006, the Head of Legal Services advised that consideration of an application (tabled) by Mohammed Abrar, 99 Dalshannon Farm Cottage, Main Street, Condorrat, Cumbernauld 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 Dillon 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 Mohammed Abrar for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

(2) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - BERNARD CASSIDY, 40 SILVERBURN CRESCENT, NEWARTHILL, MOTHERWELL

8. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Bernard Cassidy, 40 Silverburn Crescent, Newarthill, Motherwell for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) of the background relative thereto.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Bernard Cassidy was not in attendance.

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

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

(3) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) KAREN DICK, 9 SIKESIDE PLACE, COATBRIDGE

9. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Karen Dick, 9 Sikeside Place, Coatbridge for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from a static snack van at J & W Carpets, 1 Locks Street, Coatbridge had been received, and (2) that an objection (tabled) to the application had been received from the Director of Planning and Environment.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Karen Dick was not in attendance although her husband, Robert Dick, had a letter (tabled) from his wife authorising him to speak on her behalf.

The Sub-Committee then heard Robert Dick speak in respect of the application and Mr. Craw, Traffic and Transportation Section, Department of Planning and Environment outline the Director of Planning and Environment's objection to the application.

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

Thereafter, Mr. Dick, Mr. Craw and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by Karen Dick for Street Trader's Licence be granted.

(b) HELEN ROBSON, 15 HAWICK CRESCENT, LARKHALL

10. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Helen Robson, 15 Hawick Crescent, Larkhall for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from a static snack van at 315-317 Orbiston Street, Motherwell had been received, and (2) that a late objection to the application had been received from Councillor Wilson, local Member.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Councillor Wilson was not in attendance.

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

The Sub-Committee then heard Helen Robson speak in support of her 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 Helen Robson for Street Trader's Licence be granted.

(c) ALEN WILKIE, 42 THORNTREE DRIVE, COATBRIDGE

11. The Head of Legal Services advised (1) that an application by Alen Wilkie, 42 Thorntree Drive, Coatbridge for a Street Trader's Licence to enable him to trade from a static snack van at the former Luggieglen Sewage Works, Glasgow Road, Coatbridge had been received, and (2) of the background relative thereto.

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