

Motherwell, 20 July 2015 at 10 am.

A Meeting of the **CORPORATE SERVICES (PUBLIC PROCESSIONS) SUB-COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Clinch, Convener; Councillor W. Hogg, Vice-Convener; Councillors Beveridge, Goldie, Higgins, McLaren and Nolan.

CHAIR

Councillor Clinch (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services) and Principal Solicitor..

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Representing the Notifier – Mr. Keenan and Mr. McAfee.

Representing the Chief Constable – Superintendent Skelton and Chief Inspector Russell.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Chadha, Grant, Griffin, Irvine and Stocks.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. The Sub-Committee noted that there were no declarations of interest.

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO HOLD A PUBLIC PROCESSION IN AIRDRIE ON SATURDAY, 25 JULY 2015 BY IRBS

2. There was submitted (1) notification dated 26 June 2015 of a proposal by IRBS to process in Airdrie on Saturday, 25 July 2015; (2) a report from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland submitting representations in respect of the proposal; (3) representations received by Councillor Stocks, Local Member, and (4) e-mails of representation by Hugh Currie, Graeme Queen, Alan Baxter, Andrew Laird and John Logan.

The Sub-Committee then heard (1) Chief Inspector Russell outline the Chief Constable's representations in respect of the proposal, and (2) Mr. Keenan speak in support of the proposal in the notification.

Thereafter, Mr. Keenan, Mr. McAfee, Superintendent Skelton and Chief Inspector Russell withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee gave consideration to the notification.

Mr. Keenan, Mr. McAfee, Superintendent Skelton and Chief Inspector Russell were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that after discussion and careful consideration of all representations made, the Sub-Committee, having regard to the likely effect of the holding of the said procession in relation to public safety, public order and disruption of the life of the community, commensurate with the right to assembly, agreed that an Order be made in terms of Section 63 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 imposing conditions on the holding of the proposed procession by IRBS, in Airdrie on Saturday, 25 July 2015 as follows:-

that the procession assemble at 9 am at Kirkness Street, thereafter proceeding at 9.30 am along Kirkness Street, Bore Road, Aitken Street, Chapel Street, High Street, Wellwynd, Stirling Street, Bank Street, South Bridge Street, Chapel Street, Aitken Street, Bore Road to Kirkness Street for dispersal and that the timing and route of the procession be altered accordingly.
