

**Motherwell, 5 October 2015 at 2 pm.**

A Special Meeting of the **CORPORATE SERVICES (LICENSING) SUB-COMMITTEE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Bonnar, Irvine, Love, McVey and Nolan.

**CHAIR**

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services) and Acting Managing Solicitor (Licensing and Litigation).

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

John Waddell, Lanarkshire Division, Police Scotland.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Farooq, Majid and Sullivan.

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

1. Councillor Bonnar declared an interest in paragraph 3 below by reason of the applicant being known to him as a constituent and took no part in the consideration thereof.

Councillor Nolan declared an interest in paragraph 4 below by reason of the applicant being known to him and took no part in the consideration thereof.

**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 items 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.**

**HEARINGS**

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

**(a) MUHAMMAD IQBAL**

2. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Muhammad Iqbal for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) that an objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland.

The Sub-Committee then heard John Waddell outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Muhamad Iqbal speak in support of his application.

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

The applicant and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by Muhammad Iqbal for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

**Councillor Bonnar, having declared an interest in the following item of business, by reason of the applicant being known to him as a constituent, withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the consideration thereof.**

**(b) JAMES MCLAUGHLIN**

3. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by James McLaughlin for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) that an objection (tabled) to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland.

The Sub-Committee then heard John Waddell outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and James McLaughlin speak in support of his application.

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

The applicant and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by James McLaughlin for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

**Councillor Sullivan, having declared an interest in the following item of business, by reason of the applicant being known to him, withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the consideration thereof.**

**(2) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - DANIEL VALE**

4. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Daniel Vale for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) that an objection (tabled) to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland.

The Sub-Committee then heard John Waddell outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Daniel Vale and his brother, William Kevin Vale speak in support of the application.

Thereafter, the applicant, William Kevin Vale and the representative of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

The applicant, William Kevin Vale and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by Daniel Vale for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.