

CORPORATE SERVICES (PUBLIC PROCESSIONS) SUB – 21 June 2012

Motherwell, 21 June 2012 at 11.15 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor McAuley, Convener; Councillor W. Hogg, Vice-Convener; Councillors Beveridge, Chadha, Grant, Higgins, Irvine, McLaren, Nolan and Stocks.

CHAIR

Councillor McAuley (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Central Services and Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Representing the notifier: Mr. Keenan, Mr. Gorman and Mr. Russell

Representing the Chief Constable: Sergeant Kennedy and Constable Walker.

Representing the Head of Roads and Transportation: Frank Haggarty.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Goldie and Muir.

Councillor Beveridge left the room during the course of the meeting and took no part in consideration or determination of the business before the Sub-Committee.

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

1. There were no declarations of interest.

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO HOLD A PUBLIC PROCESSION IN COATBRIDGE ON SATURDAY, 23 JUNE 2012 BY CELTIC COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE

2. There was submitted (1) notification dated 25 May 2012 of a proposal by Celtic Commemoration Committee to process in Coatbridge on Saturday, 23 June 2012; (2) representations from Councillor James Brooks expressing concerns in respect of the proposed procession; (3) submissions on behalf of the Head of Roads and Transportation, and (4) a report dated 8 June 2012 from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police submitting representations in respect of the proposal.

The Sub-Committee (1) having noted that Councillor Brooks was not present, noted the contents of his written representations in respect of the proposal; (2) heard Frank Haggarty in relation to the proposal; (3) heard Sergeant Kennedy outline the Chief Constable's representations in respect of the proposal, and (4) heard Mr. Keenan speak in support of the notification.

Thereafter, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Russell, Frank Haggarty, Sergeant Kennedy and Constable Walker withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee gave consideration to the notification. Mr. Keenan, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Russell, Frank Haggarty, Sergeant Kennedy and Constable Walker 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 extent of disruption to the life of the community commensurate with the right to process, 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 public procession by Celtic Commemoration Committee in Coatbridge on 23 June 2012 as follows:-

that the parade assemble at Dunbeth Park, thereafter proceeding along Kildonan Street, Dunbeth Road, Main Street, South Circular Road (A89), Bank Street, Dundyvan Road, Whifflet Street (A725), Hagmill Road, for dispersal and that the parade route be altered accordingly.

Motherwell, 18 July 2012 at 2 pm.

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

PRESENT

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

CHAIR

Councillor Hogg (Vice-Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Central Services and Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Representing the Notifier: Mr. Keenan, Mr. Hanlon and Mr. McMullen accompanied by Mr. McWilliams.

Representing the Chief Constable: Chief Inspector Swan.

Representing the Head of Roads and Transportation: Frank Haggarty.

Councillor McGlinchey.

APOLOGIES

Councillor McAuley, Grant, Higgins, Irvine, Muir and Stocks.

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

1. There were no declarations of interest.

NOTICE OF PROPOSALS TO HOLD PUBLIC PROCESSIONS IN COATBRIDGE ON 21, 22, 28 AND 29 JULY 2012 BY COATBRIDGE UNITED IRISHMEN FLUTE BAND

2. There was submitted (1) notifications dated 21 and 28 June 2012 of proposals by Coatbridge United Irishmen Flute Band to process in Coatbridge on 21, 22, 28 and 29 July 2012; (2) representations from Councillor James Brooks expressing concerns in respect of the proposed processions; (3) submissions on behalf of the Head of Roads and Transportation, and (4) reports dated 22 June 2012 from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police submitting representations in respect of the processions proposed to be held on 21 and 22 July 2012.

There was submitted, also, reports from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police submitting representations in respect of the processions proposed for 28 and 29 July 2012.

The Sub-Committee (1) having noted that Councillor Brooks was not present, noted the contents of his written representations in respect of the proposals; (2) heard Frank Haggarty in relation to the proposals; (3) heard Chief Inspector Swan outline the Chief Constable's representations in respect of the proposals, and (4) heard Mr. Keenan and Mr. McWilliams speak in support of the notifications.

Thereafter, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Hanlon, Mr. McMullen, Mr. McWilliams, Frank Haggarty, Chief Inspector Swan and Councillor McGlinchey withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee gave consideration to the notifications.

Mr. Keenan, Mr. Hanlon, Mr. McMullen, Mr. McWilliams, Frank Haggarty, Chief Inspector Swan and Councillor McGlinchey 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 extent of disruption to the life of the community commensurate with the right to process, agreed that in terms of Section 63 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982:-

- (1) an Order be made imposing conditions on the holding of the proposed public procession by Coatbridge United Irishmen Flute Band in Coatbridge on 21 July 2012 as follows:-

That the parade assemble at 1700 hours at Davidson Street, Coatbridge. Thereafter proceeding at 1715 hours along Davidson Street, Rosehall Avenue, Whifflet Street (A725), Hagmill Road for dispersal and that the parade route be altered accordingly, and

- (2) an Order be made prohibiting the holding of the remaining processions – being those proposed for 22, 28 and 29 July 2012.

Motherwell, 14 August 2012 at 3.30 pm

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

PRESENT

Councillor McAuley, Convener; Councillor W. Hogg, Vice-Convener; Councillors Beveridge, Goldie, Grant, Higgins, Irvine, McLaren, Nolan and Stocks.

CHAIR

Councillor McAuley (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Central Services and Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Representing the notifier: Mr. McDougall, Mr. Muir, Mr. Richards and Mr. Wilson.

Representing the Chief Constable: Chief Inspector McKenzie and Inspector Higgins.

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

1. No declarations were made.

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO HOLD A PUBLIC PROCESSION IN BELLSHILL ON SATURDAY, 18 AUGUST 2012 BY BELLSHILL PROTESTANT BOYS FLUTE BAND

2. There was submitted (1) notification dated 5 March 2012 of a proposal by Bellshill Protestant Boys Flute Band to process in Bellshill on Saturday, 18 August 2012, and (2) a report from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police submitting representations in respect of the proposal.

There was submitted, also, (1) the note of a debriefing meeting held on 16 April 2012 with representatives from the Bellshill Protestant Boys Flute Band, regarding the conduct of band members in a procession held on 10 December 2011, and (2) the Minute of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 1 June 2012.

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

Thereafter, Mr. McDougall, Mr. Muir, Mr. Richards, Mr. Wilson, Chief Inspector McKenzie and Inspector Higgins withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee gave consideration to the notification.

Mr. McDougall, Mr. Muir, Mr. Richards, Mr. Wilson, Chief Inspector McKenzie and Inspector Higgins were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Councillor McLaren, seconded by Councillor Beveridge, moved that an Order be made imposing conditions regarding the consumption of alcohol and restricting the total number of participating bands to 2, the total number of procession participants including members of accompanying bands to 100 but excluding the number of stewards, and increasing the number of stewards required to 20.

Councillor Stocks, seconded by Councillor Irvine moved, as an amendment, that no Order be made in respect of the proposal.

On a vote being taken, 2 Members voted for the amendment and 8 Members voted for the motion, which was accordingly declared carried.

Decided: that, after discussion and careful consideration of all representations made, the Sub-Committee 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 public procession by Bellshill Protestant Boys Flute Band in Bellshill on 18 August 2012 as undernoted:-

- (1) that the total number of participating bands be restricted to two and the total number of procession participants including Members of accompanying bands shall not exceed 100, excluding the number of stewards hereinafter mentioned;
- (2) that there requires to be a minimum of 20 stewards or marshals and the organiser shall ensure that all stewards and marshals -
 - are briefed by the organisers and given guidance and instructions on their role prior to the procession, including written direction/instructions in respect of legislation;
 - carry proof of their status;
 - co-operate with the Police as required;
 - are highly visible and easily identifiable by means of high visibility wear which cannot be confused with Police attire;
 - conduct themselves in a proper manner, and
 - ensure that participants comply with directions regarding their own public safety and that of all other members of the public, and
- (3) that any person seeking to participate in the procession who is identified as having consumed alcohol, shall immediately be excluded from the procession by the organisers.