

Motherwell, 8 June 2016 at 10 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Bonnar, Chadha, Farooq, Irvine, McKendrick, McLaren, McVey, P. O'Rourke and Sullivan.

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

Sergeant Tomlinson, Police Scotland.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Curley and Majid.

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

1. No declarations were made.

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) YASAR ARAFAT

2. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Yasar Arafat 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 Sergeant Tomlinson outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Yasar Arafat 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 Yasar Arafat for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

(b) LIAM CURRAN

3. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Liam Curran 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 Administrative Officer then indicated that Liam Curran was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that consideration of the application by Liam Curran for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

(c) KEVIN REILLY

4. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Kevin Reilly 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 Administrative Officer then indicated that Kevin Reilly was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that consideration of the application by Kevin Reilly for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

(2) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - DAVID PATERSON

5. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by David Paterson 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 Sergeant Tomlinson outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and the applicant's agent, Andrew Brophy, Lanarkshire Law Practice speak in support of the application and table character references in mitigation.

Thereafter, the applicant, Andrew Brophy 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 David Paterson for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(3) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - COMPLAINTS

(a) THOMAS JENKINS

6. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised that Thomas Jenkins, 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 Thomas Jenkins was not in attendance.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter in Thomas Jenkins' absence.

Decided: that, in terms of paragraph 11 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the Window Cleaner's Licence currently held by Thomas Jenkins be suspended, with immediate effect, for the unexpired duration of the licence.

(b) ANDREW SCOTT

7. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that Andrew Scott, 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, and (2) that Andrew Scott had subsequently surrendered the licence.

Decided: that it be noted that Andrew Scott had surrendered his Window Cleaner's Licence.

(c) JAMES WILSON

8. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised that James Wilson, 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 James Wilson was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that, in terms of paragraph 11 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the Window Cleaner's Licence currently held by James Wilson be suspended, with immediate effect, for the unexpired duration of the licence.