

Motherwell, 21 September 2016 at 10 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Chadha, Farooq, McLaren and McVey.

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 Bonnar, McKendrick, P. O'Rourke and Sullivan.

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 AND PRIVATE HIRE CAR OPERATOR'S LICENCE - ARTHUR CALLAGHAN

2. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that applications by Arthur Callaghan for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence and a Private Hire Car Operator's Licence had been received; (2) that an objection to the applications had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, and (3) that since the Chief Constable had subsequently withdrawn his objection, the applications had been granted by the Head of Business for Legal and Democratic Solutions under delegated powers.

Decided: that it be noted that the applications by Arthur Callaghan for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence and a Private Hire Car Operator's Licence had been granted by the Head of Business for Legal and Democratic Solutions under delegated powers.

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

(a) GARY HOSIE

3. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Gary Hosie 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 Gary Hosie and Lynn Adam, Uddingston and Bellshill Private Hire, speak in support of the application.

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

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

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

(b) SCOTT McKENZIE

4. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Scott McKenzie 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 Scott McKenzie 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 Scott McKenzie 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.

(3) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE – COMPLAINTS

(a) IAN GLATLEY

5. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 7 September 2016, when it was agreed that the complaint by the Chief Constable, relative to the behaviour of Ian Glatley be upheld and that his Taxi Driver's Licence be suspended, with immediate effect, for a period not exceeding six weeks, the Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that, in terms of paragraph 12(5) of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, further consideration required to be given to the matter, and (2) that Ian Glatley had subsequently surrendered his Taxi Driver's Licence.

Decided: that it be noted that Ian Glatley had surrendered his Taxi Driver's Licence to the Council.

(b) DEWAR STEVENSON

6. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised that, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1984, a complaint (tabled) had been received from Eunice Melville, a local resident, relative to the behaviour of Dewar Stevenson who currently held a Taxi Driver's Licence.

The Sub-Committee then heard Eunice Melville outline her complaint and Dewar Stevenson and Carol Anne McAtamney, United Taxis, speak in respect of the complaint.

Thereafter Eunice Melville, Dewar Stevenson, Carol Anne McAtamney and the representative of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

Eunice Melville, Dewar Stevenson, Carol Anne McAtamney and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the complaint by Eunice Melville relative to the behaviour of Dewar Stevenson be not upheld.

(4) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE – RENEWAL - JOSEPH STANNARD

7. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Joseph Stannard for the renewal of his Window Cleaner'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 Edward McCarron, Ness Gallagher, Solicitors, speak in support of the application.

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

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

Decided: that the application by Joseph Stannard for the renewal of his Window Cleaner's Licence be granted.