

Motherwell, 21 November 2007 at 9.30 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor McAuley, Vice-Convener; Councillors Homer, Irvine, S. Love and McElroy.

CHAIR

In the absence of Councillor Hogg, Councillor McAuley presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services); Chief Solicitor (Licensing) and Licensing Solicitor.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Dorrian and Sergeant Harkin, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Harmon, Hogg and Wallace.

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.

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

(a) STUART HUNTER, 5 HAWTHORN DRIVE, CRAIGNEUK, AIRDRIE

2. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Stuart Hunter, 5 Hawthorn Drive, Craigneuk, Airdrie 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, Strathclyde Police.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Dorrian outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Stuart Hunter speak in support of his application.

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

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

Decided: that the application by Stuart Hunter for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

(b) JOHN SAUNDERS, 7 FULLERTON ROAD, CARRICKSTONE, CUMBERNAULD

3. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by John Saunders, 7 Fullerton Road, Carrickstone, Cumbernauld 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, Strathclyde Police.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that John Saunders was not in attendance.

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

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Dorrian outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application.

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

Representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that the application by John Saunders for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

(c) SUNIL RAM, 1 WOODHEAD TERRACE, MUIRHEAD

4. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Sunil Ram, 1 Woodhead Terrace, Muirhead 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, Strathclyde Police.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Dorrian outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Sunil Ram speak in support of his application.

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

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

Decided: that the application by Sunil Ram for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

**(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE - TWO NEW APPLICATIONS - IAN SAMUEL WALLACE,
40 ALBANY AVENUE, SPRINGBOIG, GLASGOW**

5. The Chief Solicitor advised that two applications (tabled) by Ian Samuel Wallace, 40 Albany Avenue, Springboig, Glasgow for Private Hire Car Licences had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Superintendent Dorrian speak in respect of the application.

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

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

Decided: that the two applications by Ian Samuel Wallace for Private Hire Car Licences be granted.

(3) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - STEPHEN CROSSAN, 38 HIGH COATS, COATBRIDGE

6. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Stephen Crossan, 38 High Coats, Coatbridge 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, Strathclyde Police.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Dorrian outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Stephen Crossan speak in support of his application.

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

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

Decided: that the application by Stephen Crossan for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(4) PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - KAREN JOHNSTON, 20 HOME FARM COURT, DRUMPELLIER FARM, COATBRIDGE

7. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised that this item of business has been withdrawn from the agenda.

Decided: that it be noted that the application by Karen Johnston for a Public Entertainment Licence had been withdrawn.

(5) SUSPENSION HEARING - WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - STUART PHILLIPS, 29 WESTERGREENS AVENUE, KIRKINTILLOCH - BREACH OF LICENCE CONDITION

8. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised that Stuart Phillips, 29 Westergreens Avenue, Kirkintilloch, 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 Stuart Phillips was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that the Window Cleaner's Licence currently held by Stuart Phillips be suspended for the unexpired duration of the Licence.