

**Motherwell, 2 November 2016 at 10 am.**

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

**PRESENT**

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Bonnar, Chadha, Farooq, Irvine and H. McVey.

**CHAIR**

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Administrative Officer and Acting Managing Solicitor (Licensing and Litigation), Legal and Democratic Solutions.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

John Waddell, Police Scotland.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors 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) TEMPORARY PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - JAMES SCULLION**

2. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by James Scullion for a Temporary Public Entertainment Licence to stage a fireworks display at Strathclyde Country Park on 5 November 2016 had been received, and (2) that an objection (tabled) to the application had been received from Ladywell Community Council.

The Sub-Committee then heard Stuart Gray and Delmar Bowman outline Ladywell Community Council's objection to the application and Jim Scullion, Senior Operations Officer and Vicky Abernethy, Assistant Business Manager, Strathclyde Country Park, speak in support of the application.

Thereafter, Jim Scullion, Vicky Abernethy, Stuart Gray, Delmar Bowman and the representative of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

Jim Scullion, Vicky Abernethy, Stuart Gray, Delmar Bowman and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by James Scullion for a Public Entertainment Licence be granted.

**(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - JAMES McNEE**

3. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by James McNee 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 McNee and his mother, Jess McNee, speak in support of the application.

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

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

**Decided:** that the application by James McNee for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

**(3) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE – COMPLAINT - BRENDAN MURPHY**

4. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, a complaint had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, relative to the behaviour of Brendan Murphy who currently held a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence, and (2) that the Chief Constable had subsequently withdrawn his complaint.

**Decided:** that it be noted that the Chief Constable had withdrawn his complaint relative to the behaviour of Brendan Murphy.

**(4) PRIVATE HIRE CAR OPERATOR'S LICENCE – RENEWAL - BRENDAN MURPHY**

5. With reference to the preceding paragraph the Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Brendan Murphy for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Operator's Licence had been received; (2) that an objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, and (3) that since the Chief Constable had subsequently withdrawn his objection, the application had been granted under delegated powers.

**Decided:** that it be noted that the application by Brendan Murphy for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Operator's Licence had been granted under delegated powers.

**(5) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - JORDAN JACKSON**

6. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Jordan Jackson 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 Jordan Jackson 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 Jordan Jackson for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

**(6) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE – RENEWAL - JAMES HUGHES**

7. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application by James Hughes for the renewal of his Window Cleaner's Licence had been received; (2) that a late objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, and (3) that correspondence had been received from James Hughes' agent, Barton and Hendry, Solicitors, requesting that the matter be continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

**Decided:** that consideration be continued to allow James Hughes another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.