

Motherwell, 27 August 2008 at 9.30 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Hogg, Convener; Councillors Ferrie, Irvine, S. Love, McElroy and McShannon.

CHAIR

Councillor Hogg (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

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

APOLOGIES

Councillors Clarke, Harmon, Homer, McAuley 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.

HEARINGS

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

(a) BARRY FLANAGAN, 3A RENFREW STREET, KIRKWOOD, COATBRIDGE

2. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Barry Flanagan, 3A Renfrew Street, Kirkwood, Coatbridge 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 Robertson outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Barry Flanagan 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 Barry Flanagan for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(b) FRASER LEE MOSS, 11 HERALD GROVE, MOTHERWELL

3. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Fraser Lee Moss, 11 Herald Grove, Motherwell 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 Robertson outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Fraser Lee Moss 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 Fraser Lee Moss for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE AND PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - VACLOVAS LEVINSKAS, 58 GLENCLELAND ROAD, WISHAW

4. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Vaclovas Levinskas, 58 Glencleland Road, Wishaw for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence and Private Hire Car Licence had been received, and (2) that a late objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Vaclovas Levinskas was not in attendance.

The Sub-Committee then heard Superintendent Robertson explain the reason for the Chief Constable's objection being submitted late.

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

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

Representatives of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the application.

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

Decided: that the application by Vaclovas Levinskas for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence and Private Hire Car Licence be refused.

(3) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL - JOHN SHEARER, 10 WOODBURN COURT, LANARK

5. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application by John Shearer, 10 Woodburn Court, Lanark for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) that John Shearer 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 John Shearer for the renewal of his 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.

(4) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) ALISTAIR MONTGOMERY, 2 BANKHEAD AVENUE, COATBRIDGE

6. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application by Alistair Montgomery, 2 Bankhead Avenue, Coatbridge for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) of the background relative thereto.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Alistair Montgomery 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 Alastair Montgomery for a Taxi Driver's Licence be continued, to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.

(b) DAVID MONTGOMERY, 7 ELGIN PLACE, SHAWHEAD, COATBRIDGE

7. The Chief Solicitor (Licensing) advised (1) that an application (tabled) by David Montgomery, 7 Elgin Place, Shawhead, Coatbridge for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received, and (2) of the background relative thereto.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Superintendent Robertson 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 application by David Montgomery for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.