

Motherwell, 19 April 2017 at 10 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Chadha, H. McVey, P. O'Rourke and Sullivan.

CHAIR

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Principal Solicitor (Licensing and Litigation) and the Administrative Officer, Legal and Democratic Solutions.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Sergeant Tomlinson, Police Scotland.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Bonnar, Irvine and McLaren.

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 3 and 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

HEARINGS

(1) TAXI/PRIVATE HIRE BOOKING OFFICE LICENCE – COMPLAINT - JAMES DALEY, JOHN GORDON, ANTHONY LAMB AND JOHN WOOD, T/A AIRDRIE TAXIS LIMITED, 28B HALLCRAIG STREET, AIRDRIE

2. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 15 March 2017, the Principal Solicitor advised (1) that consideration of a complaint by Kay Woods relative to the behaviour of the Taxi/Private Hire Booking Office of Airdrie Taxis Limited, 28B Hallcraig Street, Airdrie had been continued to allow Kay Woods another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in respect of the complaint, and (2) that Kay Woods had indicated that she was unable to be in attendance due to a work commitment.

Thereafter the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter in Kay Woods' absence.

The Sub-Committee then heard John Wood speak in relation to the complaint (tabled) and broadcast voice recordings.

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

John Wood and the representative of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that, in terms of paragraph 11 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the complaint by Kay Woods relative to the behaviour of Airdrie Taxis be not upheld.

(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVERS LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - BARTOSZ STRZELECKI

3. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Bartosz Strzelecki 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 Bartosz Strzelecki speak in support of the 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 Bartosz Strzelecki for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(3) PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE – RENEWALS

(a) DARREN CORR

4. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Darren Corr for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence had been received, and (2) that a representation (tabled) regarding the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland.

The Sub-Committee then heard Sergeant Tomlinson outline the Chief Constable's representation regarding the application and Darren Corr speak in support of the 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 Darren Corr for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence be granted.

(b) JOHN HAWTHORNE

5. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by John Hawthorne for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence had been received, and (2) that John Hawthorne did not have a vehicle that was compliant with the Council's specification.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that John Hawthorne was no longer in attendance and had lodged a letter in mitigation (tabled).

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

Decided: that the application by John Hawthorne for the renewal of his Private Hire Car Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(4) WINDOW CLEANERS LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - MICHAEL TONNER

6. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Michael Tonner for a 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 Michael Tonner speak in support of the 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 Michael Tonner for a Window Cleaner's Licence be granted.