

Motherwell, 7 December 2011 at 2 pm.

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

PRESENT

Councillor Hogg, Convener; Councillor McAuley, Vice-Convener; Councillors Cefferty, Ferrie, Harmon, Irvine and McElroy.

CHAIR

Councillor Hogg (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Inspector Bland and Sergeant Hayburn, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors S. Love 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) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - ANIL KUMAR

2. The Chief Solicitor advised that an application (tabled) by Anil Kumar for a Taxi Driver's Licence had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Chief Inspector Bland 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 Anil Kumar for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

(2) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE – RENEWAL - MABEL WEIR

3. The Chief Solicitor advised that an application (tabled) by Mabel Weir for the renewal of her Taxi Driver's Licence had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and Chief Inspector Bland 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 Mabel Weir for the renewal of her Taxi Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

(3) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE – COMPLAINT - SHARON McNAIRN

4. The Chief Solicitor advised that, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, a complaint (tabled) had been received from the Council's Licensing Enforcement Officer relative to the behaviour of Sharon McNairn who currently held a Street Trader's Licence.

The Sub-Committee then heard John Taylor, Licensing Enforcement Officer outline the complaint and Sharon McNairn speak in respect of the complaint.

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

John Taylor, Sharon McNairn and representatives of the Police were then re-admitted to the meeting.

The Sub-Committee, having determined that the complaint be upheld, heard Sharon McNairn in mitigation.

Thereafter John Taylor, Sharon McNairn and representatives of the Police again withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

John Taylor, Sharon McNairn and representatives of the Police were then again re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the Street Trader's Licence currently held by Sharon McNairn be suspended for a period of two months with immediate effect.

(4) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE – NEW APPLICATION - JORDAN KERR

5. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Jordan Kerr for a Window Cleaner's Licence had been received, and (2) that an objection to the application (tabled) had been received from the Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police.

The Sub-Committee then heard Chief Inspector Bland outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Jordan Kerr 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 Jordan Kerr for a Window Cleaner's Licence be granted for a period of one year.