

Motherwell, 26 June 2012 at 11.15 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Farooq, Irvine, McKendrick, McLaren, Majid and Nolan.

CHAIR

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Sergeant Hayburn, "N" Division, Strathclyde Police.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Harmon, Love, McVey and Sullivan.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. Councillor Farooq declared an interest in paragraph 5 below by reason that the applicant was known to him.

HEARINGS

(1) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE

(a) NEW APPLICATION - LAURA HAMILTON

2. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Laura Hamilton for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from a static snack van at West Main Street, Harthill had been received, and (2) that the application had subsequently been granted under delegated powers.

Decided: that it be noted that the application by Laura Hamilton for a Street Trader's Licence had been granted under delegated powers.

(b) COMPLAINT - THOMAS POLLOCK

3. 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 Mr. Hepburn, local resident, relative to the behaviour of Thomas Pollock who currently held a Street Trader's Licence.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr. Hepburn outline his complaint. and Alex Fraser, Property Services; John Ashcroft, Planning and Transportation and Thomas Pollock and his agent, Stewart Hamilton, S.J. Hamilton and Company, Solicitors, speak in respect of the complaint.

Thereafter Thomas Pollock, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hepburn, Alex Fraser, John Ashcroft and the representative of the Police withdrew from the meeting and the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the matter.

Thomas Pollock, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hepburn, Alex Fraser, John Ashcroft and the representative of the Police were re-admitted to the meeting.

Decided: that, in terms of paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the complaint by Mr. Hepburn relevant to the behaviour of Thomas Pollock be not upheld.

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

(2) PRIVATE HIRE CAR LICENCE AND PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS - DAMIEN HOLLAND

4. The Chief Solicitor advised that applications (tabled) by Damien Holland for a Private Hire Car Licence and Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant, Lynn Adams, Managing Director, Viewpark and Bellshill Private Hire and Sergeant Hayburn speak in respect of the applications.

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

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

Decided: that the applications by Damien Holland for a Private Hire Car Licence and a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted for a period of one year.

Councillor Farooq declared an interest in the following item of business by reason that the applicant was known to him, withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the consideration thereof.

(3) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - MOHAMMAD KASHIF IQBAL

5. The Chief Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Mohammad Kashif Iqbal 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 Sergeant Hayburn outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Mohammad Kashif Iqbal speak in respect 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 Mohammad Kashif Iqbal for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be refused.

(4) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - SEAN CONNOR

6. The Chief Solicitor advised that an application (tabled) by Sean Connor for a Window Cleaner's Licence had been received.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant speak in support of his application and table a character reference and Sergeant Hayburn speak in respect 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 Sean Connor for a Window Cleaner's Licence be granted.