

**Motherwell, 18 September 2013 at 10 am.**

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

**PRESENT**

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Clinch, Irvine, Love, McVey, Nolan and Sullivan.

**CHAIR**

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Sergeant McGovern, Lanarkshire Division, Police Scotland.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Farooq, McAuley, McKendrick and Majid.

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

1. Councillor Nolan declared an interest in paragraph 6 below as the applicant was known to him.

**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) SKIN PIERCING/TATTOOING LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - DAVID JAMES LINDSAY**

2. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by David James Lindsay for a Skin Piercing/Tattooing Licence had been received, and (2) that objections (tabled) to the application had been received from Jane Turner, Richard Turner, Heather Turner and Julie Docherty, local residents.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that the none of the objectors were in attendance.

Thereafter, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of the application in the objectors' absence.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant and his mother-in-law, Karen Coombs speak in support of the application and table additional information.

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

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

**Decided:** that the application by David James Lindsay for a Skin Piercing/Tattooing Licence be granted.

**(2) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - PAUL McGOWAN**

3. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 14 August 2013, the Principal Solicitor advised (1) that consideration of an application (tabled) by Paul McGowan for a Street Trader's Licence to enable him to operate a car valeting, pressure washing and wheeled bin washing service in North Lanarkshire had been continued to allow the applicant an opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application, and (2) that a late objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable Police Scotland.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Paul McGowan was not in attendance.

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

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

The Sub-Committee then determined that the late objection by the Chief Constable be considered.

The Sub-Committee then heard Sergeant McGovern outline the Chief Constable's objection (tabled) to the application.

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

The representative of the Police was then re-admitted to the meeting.

**Decided:** that the application by Paul McGowan for a Street Trader's Licence be refused.

**(3) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATIONS**

**(a) PAUL MALONEY**

4. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Paul Maloney 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 Sergeant McGovern outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Paul Maloney 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 Paul Maloney for a Taxi Driver's Licence be refused.

**(b) ALAN McKINSTRIE**

5. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Alan McKinstrie 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 Sergeant McGovern outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Alan McKinstrie 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 Alan McKinstrie for a Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

**Councillor Nolan declared an interest in the following item of business as the applicant was known to him, withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the consideration thereof.**

**(4) TAXI DRIVER'S LICENCE - RENEWAL - BRIAN BREEN**

6. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Brian Breen for the renewal of his 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 Sergeant McGovern outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application and Brian Breen 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 Brian Breen for the renewal of his Taxi Driver's Licence be granted.

**(5) WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - ANDREW THOMSON**

7. The Principal Solicitor advised (1) that an application by Andrew Thomson for a Window Cleaner's Licence had been received, and (2) an objection to the application had been received from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Andrew Thomson 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 Andrew Thomson for a Window Cleaner's Licence be continued to allow the applicant another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his application.