

Motherwell, 17 September 2014 at 10 am.

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

PRESENT

Councillor W. Hogg, Convener; Councillors Nolan and P. O'Rourke.

CHAIR

Councillor W. Hogg (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services) and Acting Managing Solicitor (Licensing and Litigation).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Sergeant McGovern, Lanarkshire Division, Police Scotland.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Clinch, Love, McKendrick, McVey, Majid 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) PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

(a) NEW APPLICATIONS

(A) SCOTT MURRAY

2. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Scott Murray 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 McGovern outline the Chief Constable objection to the application, and Scott Murray speak in support of his application and table a character reference from GTS Taxis.

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 Scott Murray for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

(B) WILLIAM McMURRAY

3. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by William McMurray 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 McGovern outline the Chief Constable's objection to the application, and William McMurray 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 William McMurray for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be granted.

(b) RECALL OF SUSPENSION - ANDRZEJ SZLYK

4. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 23 July 2014, the Acting Managing Solicitor advised that consideration of a request by Andrzej Szlyk seeking the recall of the suspension of his Private Hire Car Driver's Licence had been continued to allow Andrzej Szlyk another opportunity to appear before the Sub-Committee to speak in support of his request.

The Administrative Officer then indicated that Andrzej Szlyk was not in attendance.

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

Decided: that the suspension of Andrzej Szlyk's Private Hire Car Driver's Licence be not recalled.

(2) TAXI OPERATOR'S LICENCE – RENEWAL - CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL

5. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Christopher Campbell for the renewal of his Taxi Operator's Licence had been received, and (2) that Christopher Campbell did not have a vehicle that was compliant with the Council's specification.

The Sub-Committee then heard the applicant speak in respect 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 Christopher Campbell for the renewal of his Taxi Operator's Licence be granted until 30 June 2016.

(3) STREET TRADER'S LICENCE - NEW APPLICATION - GAYLE PATERSON

6. The Acting Managing Solicitor advised (1) that an application (tabled) by Gayle Paterson for a Street Trader's Licence to enable her to trade from a static snack van at (a) the lay-by on Wyndford Road, Wardpark, Cumbernauld, and (b) the lay-by on Tollpark Road, Wardpark, Cumbernauld 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 Gayle Paterson and her sister, Clare Chirray, speak in support of the application.

Thereafter, the applicant, Clare Chirray 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 Gayle Paterson for a Street Trader's Licence be granted.