PUBLIC PROCESSIONS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 5, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 21 June 2011

Chair:

Councillor Maureen Devlin

Councillors Present:

Barry Douglas, Alice Marie Mitchell

Attending:

Corporate Resources:

C Lyon, Administration Officer; L Robertson, Team Leader/Registrar; T Stone, Licensing and Registration Manager; L Wyllie, Administration Assistant; J Wynn, Licensing and Registration Team Leader

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Exclusion of Press and Public The Panel decided: that, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it was likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information in terms of Paragraph(s) 6 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

3 Notification of Intention to Hold Public Procession in Hamilton on 25 June 2011 -Cairde Na Heireann

In relation to a notification of intention to hold a public procession on 25 June 2011 in Hamilton submitted by Cairde Na Heireann, the Panel:-

- heard M Hughes and F McAdam, representing Cairde Na Heireann
- considered written representations from Strathclyde Police who were represented by Superintendent E Ferguson

The organisers and representative of Strathclyde Police withdrew from the meeting and, following discussion, the Panel expressed concerns regarding potential public disorder but was of the view that no order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place subject to:-

- the assembly time being changed to 10.00am with a 10.30am start
- all standard conditions being complied with

The organisers and representatives of Strathclyde Police re-entered the meeting and were advised of the Panel's decision.

The Panel decided:

that no order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place subject to:-

- the assembly time being changed to 10.00am with a 10.30am start
- all standard conditions being complied with

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.