PUBLIC PROCESSIONS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 19 August 2011

Chair:

Councillor Maureen Devlin

Councillors Present:

Eileen Logan, David Shearer

Attending:

Corporate Resources

M Cooper, Standards and Development Officer; C Lyon, Administration Officer; T Stone, Licensing and Registration Manager

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 Cambuslang on 21 August 2011 - March Against Knife Crime and a Memorial

In relation to a notification of intention to hold a public procession on 21 August 2011 in Cambuslang submitted by M Mathieson, the Panel:-

- heard J Kelly MSP, M Mathieson and D Oats
- considered written representations from Strathclyde Police who were represented by Inspector C Logan and S McGinlay

The organiser and supporters and representatives of Strathclyde Police withdrew from the meeting and, following discussion, the Panel decided that no order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place subject to:-

- the ratio of 1 steward to every 10 people being strictly adhered to
- the assembly/dispersal point being moved to Allison Drive

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

The Panel decided:

- (1) that no order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place subject to:-
 - the ratio of 1 steward to every 10 people being strictly adhered to
 - the assembly/dispersal point being moved to Allison Drive
- (2) that the public procession permit be issued with the standard conditions together with the additional points referred to above.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.