LICENSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 15 December 2010

Chair:

Councillor Maureen Devlin

Councillors Present:

Eileen Baxendale, Andy Carmichael, Jim Docherty, Lynn Filshie (Depute), Beith Forrest, Bill Holman, Eileen Logan, Clare McColl, Davie McLachlan, John McNamee, Alice Marie Mitchell, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Graham Scott, David Shearer, Hamish Stewart, Richard Tullett, David Watson

Councillors' Apologies:

Barry Douglas, Anne Higgins, Edward McAvoy, Jean McKeown, Archie Manson, Bert Thomson

Attending:

Corporate Resources

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

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 17 November 2010 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

4 Exclusion of Press and Public

The Committee 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 items of business on the grounds that it was likely that there would be disclosure of exempt information in terms of Paragraph 14 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

5 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Application for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence - P Cairney, 57 Camelon Crescent, Blantyre

A report dated 22 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a private hire car driver's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

The Committee decided:

that the application by P Cairney, 57 Camelon Crescent, Blantyre for a private hire car driver's licence in the Hamilton zone be refused.

6 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Application for a Window Cleaner's Licence - E Beck, 4 Buchan Terrace, Whitlawburn, Cambuslang

A report dated 28 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a window cleaner's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

A late representation had been received from Strathclyde Police. The reason for the lateness of the representation was accepted and the representation was considered.

The Committee decided:

that the application by E Beck, 4 Buchan Terrace, Whitlawburn, Cambuslang for a window cleaner's licence in the East Kilbride area be refused.

7 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Application for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence - J Singh, 48 Holeburn Road, Newlands, Glasgow

A report dated 23 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a private hire car driver's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

In terms of the Act, the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the applicant who was present and represented by D Gordon, Solicitor who was heard in support of the application. A representation had been received from Strathclyde Police and Inspector Ritchie was heard.

The Committee decided:

that the application by J Singh, 48 Holeburn Road, Newlands, Glasgow for a private hire car driver's licence in the Rutherglen and Cambuslang zone be refused.

8 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Application for a Taxi Driver's Licence - A Murray, 17 Buttermere, Newlandsmuir, East Kilbride

A report dated 23 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a taxi driver's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

In terms of the Act, the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the applicant who was present and represented by F Jarvis, Solicitor who was heard in support of the application. A representation had been received from Strathclyde Police and Inspector Aitken was heard.

The Licensing and Registration Manager advised that the applicant had failed his route test on 2 occasions and had now requested that his application be changed to that for a private hire car driver's licence.

The Committee decided:

that the application by A Murray, 17 Buttermere, Newlandsmuir, East Kilbride for a private hire car driver's licence in the East Kilbride zone be granted for a period of 1 year.

Councillor Holman left the meeting after consideration of this item of business

9 Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - Application for a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence - G Sommerville, 64 Wodow Road, Thornhill, Egremont, Cumbria

A report dated 23 November 2010 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on an application for a private hire car driver's licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

In terms of the Act, the opportunity of a hearing had been offered to the applicant who was present and heard in support of his application. A representation had been received from Strathclyde Police and Inspector Ritchie was heard.

The Committee decided:

that the application by G Sommerville, 64 Wodow Road, Thornhill, Egremont, Cumbria for a private hire car driver's licence in the Rutherglen and Cambuslang zone be granted for a period of 1 year.