

PUBLIC PROCESSIONS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 19 October 2010

Chair:

Councillor Maureen Devlin

Councillors Present:

Andy Carmichael, Hamish Stewart

Attending:

Corporate Resources

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

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 a Public Procession in Blantyre on 23 October 2010 - Charles Carrigan Republican Flute Band

In relation to a notification of intention to hold a public procession on 23 October 2010 in Blantyre submitted by Charles Carrigan Republican Flute Band, the Panel:-

- ◆ heard R Glancy, J McCafferty and J Watson, representing Charles Carrigan Republican Flute Band
- ◆ considered a written representation from Strathclyde Police who were represented by Inspector A Munro and Sergeant C MacLucas

The organisers and representatives of Strathclyde Police withdrew from the meeting and, following discussion, the Panel was of the view that an Order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place.

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

The Panel decided: that an Order be made in terms of Section 63 (1) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, as amended, to prohibit the holding of a public procession by Charles Carrigan Republican Flute Band in Blantyre on 23 October 2010 for the following reason:-

“that it was considered that the holding of the procession would result in a risk to both public safety and order and the likelihood of disruption to the community”.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.