

## PUBLIC PROCESSIONS PANEL

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 3 September 2014

**Chair:**

Councillor Janice McGinlay

**Councillors Present:**

Maureen Devlin, David Shearer

**Attending:****Finance and Corporate Resources**

C Lyon, Administration Officer; S Mackie, Clerical Assistant; L Robertson, Licensing and Registration Team Leader; T Stone, Licensing and Registration Manager; S Terry, Information Officer

---

**1 Declaration of Interests**

---

No interests were declared.

---

**2 Urgent Business**

---

There were no items of urgent business.

---

**3 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 6 of Part I of Schedule 7A of the Act.

---

**4 Notification of Intention to Hold a Public Procession in Rutherglen on 6 September 2014 - Independent Republican Bands Scotland**

---

In relation to a notification of intention to hold a public procession on 6 September 2014 in Rutherglen submitted by Independent Republican Bands Scotland, the Panel:-

- ◆ heard B Keenan, A McMillan and M Toner, representing Independent Republican Bands Scotland
- ◆ considered written representations from Police Scotland who were represented by Sergeant A MacDonald, Constable R McCallum and Inspector M Spiers
- ◆ heard T Mourhess, objector
- ◆ heard D Stephen who was representing W McMillan, objector

The representatives of the organisation, representatives of Police Scotland and objectors 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 alternative route agreed between the representatives of Independent Republican Bands Scotland and Police Scotland being adhered to.

The representatives of the organisation, representatives of Police Scotland and objectors re-entered the meeting and were advised of the Panel's decision.

The organiser of the procession was also reminded of the importance of attending any future debrief meetings and it was agreed that 2 weeks' notice would be given of any future debrief.

**The Panel decided:**

- (1) that no order be made to prohibit the public procession from taking place on 6 September 2014 in Rutherglen subject to the alternative route agreed between the representatives of Independent Republican Bands Scotland and Police Scotland being adhered to; and
- (2) that the public procession permit be issued with the standard conditions together with the additional condition agreed to in relation to the alternative route.