#### WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

## Report by Strategic Lead – Regulatory

## **Licensing Committee – 5 February 2020**

## Subject: Application for grant of a Window Cleaner's Licence

### 1. Purpose

**1.1** To consider an application for grant of a Window Cleaner's Licence submitted by Mr. John Taylor, 12 Roman Crescent, Old Kilpatrick G60 5NF.

#### 2. Recommendations

**2.1** It is recommended that the application be considered and determined by the Committee.

# 3. Background

- 3.1 Mr. Taylor submitted an application for grant of a Window Cleaner's Licence to the Council on 4 December 2019.
- 3.2 A letter was received from the Chief Constable of the Police authority on 18 December 2019 submitting an objection in relation to the application.
- The Police objection relates to a further letter received from the Chief Constable of the Police authority on 18 December 2019 which details an alternative to prosecution which is considered spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.

### 4. Main Issues

- 4.1 In view of the submission received from the Police, the applicant and a representative of the Police authority have been invited to attend the meeting of the Committee to be held on 5 February 2020.
- 4.2 It will be a matter for the Committee to decide whether the applicant's spent alternative to prosecution should be disclosed and taken into consideration. It should be noted that spent alternatives to prosecution cannot be considered unless there is no other way of doing justice.
- **4.3** The terms of the letter from the Police will be made known to the Committee at the meeting as appropriate.

### 5. People Implications

**5.1** There are no personnel issues.

## 6. Financial Implications

**6.1** There are no financial implications

## 7. Risk Analysis

- **7.1** There is no increased risk to the Council associated with the contents of this report.
- 8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)
- **8.1** No impact assessment is required because this report does not involve any change to policies or services or financial decisions.
- 9. Consultation
- **9.1** Police Scotland were consulted in relation to the application.
- 10. Strategic Assessment
- 10.1 In terms of the Council's Strategic Priorities, the purpose of licensing is to protect the welfare of the community, including vulnerable people.

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Date 21 January 2020

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**Appendices:** N/A.

### **Background Papers:**

- **1.** Application for grant of a Window Cleaner's Licence from Mr. John Taylor, 12 Roman Crescent, Old Kilpatrick G60 5NF.
- **2.** Letters dated 18 December 2019 from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland, 'L' Divisional Headquarters, Stirling Road, Dumbarton G82 3PT.
- **3.** Letter to Mr. Taylor dated 21 January 2020.

Wards Affected: N/A.