

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Head of Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services

Licensing Committee – 5 September 2012

Subject: Application for grant of Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence

1. Purpose

- 1.1** To consider an application for grant of a Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence submitted by Mr. Russell Friel, 35 New Cordale Road, Renton, G82 4DE.

2. Recommendations

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

3. Background

- 3.1** Mr. Friel submitted an application for grant of a Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence to the Council on 20 July 2012.
- 3.2** A letter was received from the Chief Superintendent of the Police authority on 1 August 2012 advising that the Chief Constable has a representation to make in relation to the application.
- 3.3** At the meeting of the Licensing Committee on 12 June 2012, members decided to grant Mr. Friel's application for a temporary Taxi Driver's Licence. Members also requested that should Mr. Friel submit an application for the grant of a taxi driver's licence then he should be invited to the next meeting of the Committee. The decision was taken in order that the outcome of a pending case against the applicant may be known and that the applicant and a representative of the Police authority be again invited to attend the meeting.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** In view of the representation that has been 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 September 2012.
- 4.2** 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, Health & Humans Rights Impact Assessment

8.1 No impact assessment is required because this report does not involve any change to policies or services or financial decisions.

9. Strategic Assessment

9.1 There are no strategic implications.

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Appendices: N/A.

Background Papers:

- 1.** Application for grant of Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence from Mr. Russell Friel, 35 New Cordale Road, Renton, G82 4DE.
- 2.** Letter dated 30 July 2012 from the Chief Superintendent, Strathclyde Police, 'L' Divisional Headquarters, Stirling Road, Dumbarton.
- 3.** Letter to Mr Friel dated 20 August 2012.
- 4.** Letter to the Chief Superintendent dated 20 August 2012.

Wards Affected: N/A.