

## WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

### Report by Chief Officer – Regulatory & Regeneration

Licensing Committee – 21 February 2024

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**Subject: Application for grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence**

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1** To consider an application for grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence submitted by Mrs. Nicole Greene, 61 Whin Street, Clydebank G81 3JD.

**2. Recommendations**

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

**3. Background**

- 3.1** Mrs. Greene submitted an application for grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence to the Council on 17 July 2023 to operate from a unit within the premises at 78 Whitecrook Business Centre, Whitecrook, Clydebank G81 3JD.

- 3.2** No objection or representation has been submitted by the Police in connection with the application.

**4. Main Issues**

- 4.1** For the purpose of the discharge of their functions under the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, the Committee must reach a final decision on each application within the period of 9 months from the date the application was submitted.

- 4.2** The application submitted by Mrs. Greene was submitted on 17 July 2023 therefore a final decision on the application must be made no later than 16 April 2024.

- 4.3** When processing applications for a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence, a copy of the application is sent externally to Police Scotland and Fire Scotland for comment. The application form is also sent internally to Planning and Environmental Health for their comments.

- 4.4** A response was received from Police Scotland on 20 July 2023 marked 'no police objection' and a 'no comments' response was received from Fire Scotland on 1 August 2023.

- 4.5** On 18 July 2023 a response was received from Environmental Health advising

that, having spoken to the applicant, the premises was not ready for inspection.

- 4.6** On 2 August 2023 a response was received from Planning advising that the applicant be required to submit an application for planning permission due to the proposed change of use of the premises.
- 4.7** On 5 February 2024 an email was received from Mrs. Greene advising that a planning application had now been submitted and that the premises would be ready for inspection in the coming week.
- 4.8** An Officer from Environmental Health, along with the applicant, have been invited to address the Committee to provide an update on the current position regarding the premises.

## **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, Fire Scotland, Planning and Environmental Health were consulted in relation to the application. A site notice was displayed at the premises by the applicant for a period of 21 days allowing members of the public an opportunity to object.

## **10. Strategic Assessment**

- 10.1** In terms of the Council's Strategic Priorities, the purpose of licensing is to ensure our Communities are Resilient and Thriving.

Chief Officer – Regulatory & Regeneration

Date: 5 February 2023

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**Appendices:** N/A.

**Background Papers:**

1. Application for grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence submitted by Mrs. Nicole Greene, 61 Whin St, Clydebank, G81 3JD.
2. Letter to Mrs Greene dated 6 February 2024.

**Wards Affected:** N/A.

