

LICENSING COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, 5 Hall Street, Clydebank on Wednesday, 7 December 2022 at 2.02 p.m.

Present: Councillors Ian Dickson, Diane Docherty, Gurpreet Singh Johal, June McKay, John Millar, Lawrence O'Neill and Chris Pollock.

Attending: Michael McDougall, Section Head - Licensing; Robert Mackie, Senior Officer (Licensing Services), Constable Raymond Borland, Police Scotland and Lynn Straker, Committee Officer.

Also Attending: Mr James McCallum; Mr Robert Young; Mr Niall Hassard, Solicitor and representative for Mr Mushtaq Yusaf and Mr Mushtaq Yusaf.

Apologies: An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Hazel Sorrell.

Councillor Lawrence O'Neill in Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 12 October 2022 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

OPEN FORUM

The Committee noted that no open forum questions had been submitted by members of the public.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A TAXI / PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking Members to consider an application for grant of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence submitted by Mr. James McCallum, 12 Long Crag View, Dumbarton, G82 3DL.

A letter from the Chief Constable, Police Scotland was received 'out of time' with reference to this application. However, on hearing Mr McDougall, Section Head - Licensing and Constable Borland, Police Scotland Licensing Officer, the Committee agreed to accept the letter out of time.

Constable Borland was heard in connection with the letter of objection and in answer to Members' questions. The Committee then heard from Mr McCallum in support of his application for renewal of his Taxi Driver Licence. After further explanation, the Committee agreed to grant the Taxi Driver Licence for a period of one year, after which time it would be reconsidered if anything further was reported from Police Scotland.

DECIDED:-

The Committee agreed to grant the Taxi Driver Licence for a period of one year to Mr McCallum, after which time it would be reconsidered if anything further was reported from Police Scotland.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A TAXI / PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking Members to consider an application for grant of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence submitted by Mr. Robert Young, 129 Melbourne Avenue, Clydebank, G81 4QB.

Having heard Mr McDougall, Section Head - Licensing and Constable Raymond Borland, Police Scotland Licensing Officer in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to a continuation of the Application to the next meeting of the Committee in February 2023.

DECIDED:-

The Committee agreed to a continuation of the Application to the next meeting of the Committee in February 2023.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY LICENCE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking Members to consider an application for grant of a House in Multiple

Occupancy Licence submitted by Mr. Mushtaq Yusaf, The Oval, Clarkston, Glasgow, G76 8LY.

Having heard Mr McDougall, Section Head - Licensing, in further explanation of the application, Members agreed to hear an objection which had been received 'out of time'.

Mr Twig, Representor, advised that he resided in the same street as the property and noted that the property was difficult to find as was a quiet lane and he was concerned that he would have people coming to his property when they were unable to locate it. Mr Twig also stated that it was a private road maintained by all neighbours who share it.

The Committee then heard from Mr Niall Hassard, Solicitor and representative for Mr Yusaf, in explanation of the application. He advised that Mr Yusaf undertook to ensure correct signage was placed to direct people to the property and that he would also participate in managing and maintaining the private lane.

After further explanation, and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to grant the application for a House in Multiple Occupancy.

DECIDED:-

The Committee agreed to grant the application for a House in Multiple Occupancy.

The meeting closed at 3.08 p.m.