WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by the Head of Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services Licensing Committee – 31 October 2012

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

1. Purpose

1.1 To consider an application for renewal of a Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence submitted by Mr. Neil Brown, 57 Lansbury Street, Alexandria, G83 0SA.

2. Recommendations

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

3. Background

- 3.1 Mr. Brown submitted an application for renewal of a Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence to the Council on 18 September 2012.
- 3.2 A letter was received from the Chief Superintendent of the Police authority on 26 September 2012 advising that the Chief Constable has a representation to make in relation to the application.
- 3.3 When Mr. Brown applied for renewal of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence last year, a representation was made by the Chief Superintendent of the Police authority in relation to the application. After a hearing at the meeting of the Committee on 6 December 2011 it was agreed that, should the applicant submit a subsequent renewal application, the application would be referred to a meeting of the Committee for consideration and the applicant would be invited to attend that 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 31 October 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** In terms of the Council's Strategic Priorities, the purpose of licensing is to protect the welfare of the community, including vulnerable people.

Head of Legal, Democratic and Regulatory Services

Date: 28/9/2012

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Appendices: N/A.

Background Papers:

- 1. Application for renewal of Taxi /Private Hire Car Driver's Licence from Mr. Neil Brown, 57 Lansbury Street, Alexandria, G83 0SA.
- **2.** Letter dated 25 September 2012 from the Chief Superintendent, Strathclyde Police, 'L' Divisional Headquarters, Stirling Road, Dumbarton.
- 3. Letter to Mr. Brown dated 12 October 2012.
- **4.** Letter to the Chief Superintendent dated 12 October 2012.

Wards Affected: N/A.