LICENSING COMMITTEE

At a Special Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank on Wednesday, 6 October 2004 at 9.45 am.

Present: Councillors Jack Duffy, Linda McColl, Dennis Agnew, Duncan

McDonald and Connie O'Sullivan.

Attending: Nigel Ettles, Principal Solicitor and Nuala Borthwick, Administrative

Assistant.

Apologies: Provost Alistair Macdonald.

Councillor Jack Duffy in the Chair

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

Name and Address of Applicant Date Applied

David Ferguson 3 Hillside Avenue Burnbrae Alexandria 20 April 2004

With reference to the Minutes of Meeting of the Committee held on 1 September 2004, a further report was submitted by the Head of Legal and Administrative Services concerning an application for renewal of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence by the above named person.

Having heard the Principal Solicitor, it was noted:-

- (a) that a letter had been received from the Chief Superintendent of the Police authority making a representation in relation to the application on behalf of the Chief Constable;
- (b) that at the meeting on 1 September 2004, the applicant having advised that he was unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments, it was agreed that consideration of the application be continued to the next meeting of the Committee to allow Mr Ferguson a further opportunity to attend;
- (c) that in view of the above the applicant and a representative of the local Police authority had been invited to attend the meeting in order that a hearing may take place; and
- (d) that in terms of the relevant legislation, a decision required to be

made within six months of the date of receipt of the application otherwise the application would be deemed to have been granted.

The Principal Solicitor then advised that the applicant had not confirmed whether he would attend but was not in attendance and could not be heard in support of his application.

At the invitation of the Convener, Councillor Duffy, Sergeant Brier was heard in relation to the representation which had been submitted on behalf of the Chief Constable.

After consideration it was agreed that the application be refused on the grounds that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence.

The meeting closed at 10.49 a.m.