

LICENSING COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Civic Space, 16 Church Street, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 5 June 2024 at 2.02 p.m.

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

Attending: Michael McDougall, Manager of Legal Services; Robert Mackie, Senior Licensing Officer; Peter Clyde, Licensing Standards Officer and Lynn Straker, Committee Officer.

Also Attending: Sergeant David Holmes, Police Scotland; Mr Andrew Scott; Mr Sarbaz Sardar Maulood and Ms Julie McTaggart.

Apologies: An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Jonathan McColl.

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 MEETINGS

The Minutes of Meetings of the Licensing Committee held on 17 April 2024 (Ordinary) and 8 May 2024 (Special) were submitted and approved as correct records.

OPEN FORUM

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

**APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A SHORT TERM LET LICENCE
– FLAT 1-1, 57 ALBERT ROAD, CLYDEBANK G81 3BQ**

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration requesting the Committee to consider an application for grant of a Short Term Let Licence submitted by Mr. Andrew Scott, 23 Benny Drive, Denny FK6 5FF.

Members first heard from the Manager of Legal Services who noted this was a continuation and the objector to the application was not in attendance at the meeting. After discussion and having heard from Mr Scott in support of the application and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to grant the application.

DECIDED:-

The Committee agreed to grant the application.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF A PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration requesting the Committee consider an application for the grant of a Public Entertainment Licence submitted by Mr Sarbaz Sardar Maulood, Flat 1/1,171 Springfield Road, Glasgow G40 3JB.

Members first heard from the Manager of Legal Services providing detail of the application and then from an Environment Health Officer advising of a recent visit to the premises which found various matters outstanding. After hearing Mr Maulood in further discussion and in answer to Members' questions, the Committee agreed to grant the application subject to the licence being retained by the Chief Officer: Regulatory and Regeneration and not taking effect until all arrangements were to the satisfaction of Environmental Health.

DECIDED:-

The Committee agreed to grant the application subject to the licence being retained by the Chief Officer: Regulatory and Regeneration and not taking effect until all arrangements were to the satisfaction of Environmental Health.

**CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 PART V – PUBLIC
PROCESSIONS POLICE, PUBLIC ORDER AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
(SCOTLAND) ACT 2006 NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO HOLD A PUBLIC
PROCESSION: DUMBARTON ORANGE & PURPLE DISTRICT NO. 27**

The Manager of Legal Services noted the notification had been withdrawn.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Committee agreed to approve the following resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting to allow the following item to be heard:-

“That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1973 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it may involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.”

HEARING REGARDING POSSIBLE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A TAXI DRIVER'S/PRIVATE HIRE CAR DRIVER'S LICENCE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking the Committee to consider a request from the Chief Constable of Police Scotland for the suspension of a Taxi Driver's/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence. Members were advised they also had the option to revoke the licence.

Members first heard from the Manager of Legal Services who noted the Licence holder was not in attendance at the meeting. Members then heard from Sergeant David Holmes, Police Scotland and after further discussion, decided to suspend the Licence with immediate effect for the outstanding duration of the licence.

DECIDED:-

Members decided to suspend the Licence with immediate effect for the outstanding duration of the licence.

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

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking the Committee to consider an application for the renewal of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence.

After discussion and having heard the Manager of Legal Services in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, Members agreed to continue the matter.

DECIDED:-

Members agreed to continue the matter.

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

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Regulatory and Regeneration asking the Committee to consider an application for the renewal of a Taxi/Private Hire Car Driver's Licence.

Members first heard from the Manager of Legal Services in the detail of the report and then heard from Sergeant David Holmes, Police Scotland. After further discussion, Members agreed to a continuation of the hearing to a future meeting of the Licensing Committee.

DECIDED:-

Members agreed to a continuation of the hearing to a future meeting of the Licensing Committee.

The meeting closed at 2.40 p.m.

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