

LICENSING COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Licensing Committee held in the Council Chambers, Clydebank Town Hall, Dumbarton Road, Clydebank on Wednesday, 1 February 2006 at 12.00 noon.

Present: Provost Alistair Macdonald, Councillors Denis Agnew, Douglas McAllister, Linda McColl, Duncan McDonald and Connie O'Sullivan.

Attending: Nigel Ettles, Principal Solicitor and David Rooney, Senior Administrative Officer.

Councillor Douglas McAllister in the Chair

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- 8056 The Minutes of Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 7 December 2005 were submitted and approved as a correct record.
- 8057 The Minutes of Special Meeting of the Licensing Committee held on 25 January 2006 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

STREET TRADERS ADJACENT TO SCHOOL PREMISES

- 8058 A report was submitted by the Head of Legal and Administrative Services proposing the adoption of a new policy in respect of the grant of new Street Traders' Licences for food vendors adjacent to school premises.
- 8059 Having heard Councillor McDonald the Committee agreed:-
- (a) to approve a policy whereby there would be a presumption against granting an application for a new Street Trader's Licence for a location in the vicinity of a secondary school and for operating within school hours, unless the proposed location was a minimum of two hundred and fifty metres from the curtilage of the school premises and the business was not seen as targeting school pupils; and
 - (b) to note that individual applications would still require to be considered on their own merits.

SURVEY OF DEMAND FOR TAXIS INCLUDING WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TAXIS

8060 With reference to the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Committee held on 9 November 2005 (pages 2039/40, paragraph 7495 refers), a report was submitted by the Head of Legal and Administrative Services concerning arrangements for the survey of demand for taxis including wheelchair accessible taxis which is due to be undertaken.

8061 The Committee agreed to note the content of the report.

PROPOSED ADVERTISING ON TAXIS

8062 A report was submitted by the Head of Legal and Administrative Services concerning a request for permission to display advertisements on taxis operating in the Clydebank Taxi Licensing Zone.

8063 Having heard Councillor McDonald it was agreed:-

- (a) that consideration of the request be continued to the next meeting of the Committee; and
- (b) that officers be requested to provide a further report on the exercise of delegated powers in relation to such requests and the circumstances in which proposals for advertising on taxis would be deemed to be controversial and therefore referred to the Committee for determination.

LICENSING OF SKIN PIERCING AND TATTOOING

8064 A report was submitted by the Head of Legal and Administrative Services advising on the forthcoming introduction of mandatory licensing of skin piercing and tattooing.

8065 The Committee agreed:-

- (a) to note the content of the report; and
- (b) that the fee for applications for licences for carrying on a business which provides skin piercing or tattooing be set at £662.

The meeting closed at 12.12 p.m.