

PUBLIC PROCESSIONS SUB-COMMITTEE

At a Meeting of the Public Processions Sub-Committee held within the Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 6th August, 1997.

Present: Councillors Mary Campbell (LAB), Duncan Mills (LAB) and James Chirrey (SNP).

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

Also Present: Mr E. Coyle (the notifier), Mr G. McNee and Mr R. McDonald; and Superintendent R. Nicolson (Strathclyde Police).

Apologies for Absence: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Alistair Macdonald (LAB), George Cairney (LAB) and Ronald McColl (SNP).

Councillor Mary Campbell in the Chair

CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 PROPOSED PUBLIC PROCESSION: SIR WILLIAM YOUNG'S CHOSEN FEW RBP388 SATURDAY, 9TH AUGUST 1997

<u>Name and Address of Applicant</u>	<u>Date Applied</u>
Edward Coyle 10 Bonhill View Alexandria	1/7/97

There was submitted a report by the Depute Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council regarding an objection and representations which had been received relative to a Notice of Proposal to hold a Public Procession in Dumbarton on Saturday, 9th August 1997 on behalf of Sir William Young's Chosen Few RBP388 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, as amended by the Public Order Act 1986.

It was noted:-

- (a) that an objection had been received from Councillor James McCallum in relation to the proposed route of the procession and the proposed playing of music by the accompanying band;
- (b) that representations had been received from the Police Authority regarding the proposed assembly point of the procession; and
- (c) that Councillor McCallum had been invited to attend the meeting of the Sub-Committee but had intimated that he was unable to do so as he would be on holiday.

The Sub-Committee agreed that copies of Councillor McCallum's letter of objection and a further letter intimating that he was unable to attend the meeting as he will be on holiday and clarifying the reason for objecting to the proposed route of the procession be circulated at the meeting.

The representative of the Police Authority, Superintendent Nicolson, was then heard in relation to concerns regarding the assembly point of the proposed public procession. In this regard, Superintendent Nicolson advised the Sub-Committee that the Police Authority was of the view that the procession should assemble in Ash Road, some 100 yards from the assembly point requested in the applicant's Notice of Proposal, to avoid the possibility of traffic congestion in the area of Lime Road and Bankend Road, Dumbarton.

The Sub-Committee then heard Mr McNee, on behalf of the notifier, in support of the application and both Mr McNee and Superintendent Nicolson in reply to Members' questions.

Following deliberation the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (1) that the terms of the objection by Councillor McCallum be noted but that no action be taken in relation to it;
- (2) that action be taken in relation to the representations by the Police Authority regarding the assembly point for the procession; and
- (3) that an Order in terms of Section 63(1) of the 1982 Act be made imposing an additional condition on the holding of the said procession to the effect that the assembly point would be Ash Road and not Lime Road, in order to avoid the possibility of traffic congestion in the area of Bankend Road and Lime Road, Dumbarton.