

Licensing Committee
6 June 2014

IRVINE, 6 June 2014 - At a Special Meeting of the Licensing Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 10.00 a.m.

Present

Ronnie McNicol, Robert Barr, John Bruce, Catherine McMillan and Alan Munro.

In Attendance

J. McKay, Senior Manager Protective Services and D. Drennan, Team Manager Building Standards (Development and Environment); C. Andrew, Senior Manager (Legal Services), J. Armstrong, Graduate Trainee, A. Toal, Administrative Assistant and M. Anderson, Acting Committee and Member Services Manager (Chief Executive's Service).

Also In Attendance

Inspector Skimming and Sergeant McIntosh (Police Scotland).

Chair

Councillor McNicol in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Tom Marshall, Ian Clarkson, Donald Reid and Robert Steel.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members in terms of Standing Order 16 and Section 5 of the Councillors Code of Conduct.

2. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982: Licensing Matters

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on a Hearing to be determined in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Michael Lynam, Alba West, Shore Complex, Ardeer, Stevenson, has applied for a Temporary Public Entertainment license PEL/208 for a custom and classic bike show on Friday 27 - Sunday 29 June 2014.

The applicant, having been duly cited to attend, was present. Representatives from Police Scotland were also in attendance.

The Senior Manager (Legal Services) set out the background to the Hearing as previously intimated in writing to the applicant. The representative from Building Standards addressed the Committee in relation to outstanding issues raised in a letter dated 20 May 2014 to the applicant. The representatives from Police Scotland then addressed the Committee on the terms of a letter dated 12 May 2014 setting out the observations of the Chief Constable of Police Scotland on the applicant. The applicant addressed the Committee on the issues raised and responded to

questions.

The Committee agree to adjourn for five minutes, during which Members withdrew to receive legal advice.

The Committee agreed to continue consideration of the application to the next meeting, to allow the applicant to provide all necessary information to Officers in relation to the proposed event.

3. Urgent Item

The Chair agreed that the following items be considered as a matter of urgency to allow the matters to be actioned without delay.

3.1 Exclusion of the Public

The Committee resolved, in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude from the Meeting the press and the public for the Agenda item 3.2 on the grounds that otherwise "Exempt Information" of the type described in Paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Act ("14. Any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime might be disclosed").

3.2 TDL/1874 Paul James Gorman

The Committee considered a request from the Chief Superintendent of Police Scotland for the immediate suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence TDL/1874 held by Paul James Gorman, 47 Baidland Avenue, Dalry under Paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982. The Committee unanimously agreed (a) to suspend licence TDL/1874 in terms of Paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982; and (b) on the basis of the information presented, to proceed to a hearing, within 6 weeks, in terms of Paragraph 11(2)(a) and (c) of Schedule 1 of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 in respect of licence TDL/1874.

The Meeting ended at 11.20 a.m.