

Licensing Committee
3 July 2013

Irvine, 3 July 2013 - At a Special Meeting of the Licensing Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 10.30 a.m

Present

Ronnie McNicol, Tom Marshall, Robert Barr, Ian Clarkson and Alex McLean

In Attendance

W. O'Brien, Solicitor (Licensing), A. Toal, Administrative Assistant, and A. Little, Committee Services Officer (Chief Executive's Service).

Also In Attendance

Inspector Jones and PC McLean (Police Scotland).

Chair

Councillor McNicol in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

John Bruce, Ruth Maguire, Alan Munro, 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. Exclusion of the Public

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)4 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude from the Meeting the press and the public for item 3.1 on the grounds indicated in terms of Paragraph 14 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

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

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on (a) Hearings to be determined; and (b) applications for the grant or renewal of licences and permits all in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Part A - Hearings

3.1 STL/0306 John Cowan

The Chief Superintendent of Police Scotland has requested an emergency suspension under Paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 pertaining to licence STL/O306.

The representatives from Police Scotland addressed the Committee setting out the observations of the Chief Superintendent of Police Scotland in relation to the licenceholder. The Solicitor (Licensing) provided additional background information.

The Committee discussed the information presented and considered also the implications for the holder of licence STL/0306 in connection with the matter.

The Committee unanimously agreed (a) to suspend licence STL/0306 in terms of Paragraph 12 of Schedule 1 to the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982; (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.

Part B - Applications for Licences and the Renewal of Licences

3.2 TD/01790 David Denholm

The Committee was advised that the above application for the renewal of Taxi Driver Licence had been received one day after the licence had expired.

The Committee unanimously agreed that the application be (a) accepted as a renewal of the Taxi Driver Licence; and (b) considered by a future meeting of the Committee.

3.3 Public Charitable Collection

The Committee was advised of a late application for a Public Charitable Collection Licence to undertake a collection in Largs on 5 and 6 July 2013.

The Solicitor advised that a Public Charitable Collection has already been approved for Largs on 6 July 2013 and the Council does not generally approve more than one Public Charitable Collection for the same town on the same day.

The Committee unanimously agreed to refuse the application.

The meeting ended at 10.50 a.m.