# **GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD - 12 NOVEMBER 2008**

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#### Wednesday 12 November 2008 at 3 pm

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Brooks, Dorrian, Fyfe, MacLeod, McCallum, McIlwee, Moran and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Ahlfeld presided.

In attendance: Mr H McNeilly (for Head of Legal & Administration).

Apologies: Councillor McKenzie.

# The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Board.

#### 793 Application for Taxi Licence: Steven Hughes

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration advising that Mr Hughes had omitted to make timeous application for his licence to be renewed before it expired but it had been dealt with using the procedure for the exercise of powers delegated to the Chief Executive for use between Committees and it had been agreed to authorise the grant of a taxi licence to Mr Hughes.

#### 794 Transfer of Taxi Licences

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration advising the Board of the results of the survey of local authorities in relation to the transfer of taxi licences. **Decided:** that it be remitted to the Head of Legal & Administration to obtain further information from other Councils and report back to the Board.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

# 795 Application for Street Trader's Licence: Claire Wilkie

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a street trader's licence following an objection by Councillor Blair. The Board heard Ms Wilkie in support of her application.

**Decided:** that the application be granted.

# 796 Application for Street Trader's Licence: John McCrorey

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a street trader's licence by Mr John McCrorey following an objection from Mrs Anna Hagen, 10 Ivy Crescent, Gourock, Mr Keith and Ms Debbie Macaldowie, t/a Wrights, 43 Angus Road, Greenock and Mrs Elizabeth Wright, t/a Costcutter, 5 Nairn Road and the Wright Plaice, 42 Angus Road, Greenock.

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**Decided:** that the application be refused.

# 797 Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation: Draxi Properties Ltd Southeastmost Top Floor Flat, 15 South Street, Greenock

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a licence for house in multiple occupation by Draxi Properties Ltd for Southeastmost top floor flat, 15 South Street, Greenock following an objection by Mrs Jean King, 26 South Street, Greenock. The Board heard Ms Hunter of Ballyconnelly Properties and Mrs Linda Downie, 15 South Street, Greenock in support of the application.

Councillor MacLeod moved that the application be granted in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority. As an amendment Councillor McCallum moved that the application be continued to a further meeting of the Board to allow for further discussion.

On a vote 3 Members voted for the amendment and 5 Members for the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that the application be approved in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority.

#### 798 Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation: Draxi Properties Ltd Northwest Top Floor Flat, 15 South Street, Greenock

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a licence for house in multiple occupation by Draxi Properties Ltd for Northwest top floor flat, 15 South Street, Greenock following an objection by Mrs Jean King, 26 South Street, Greenock. The Board heard Ms Hunter of Ballyconnelly Properties and Mrs Linda Downie, 15 South Street, Greenock in support of the application.

Councillor MacLeod moved that the application be granted in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority. As an amendment Councillor McCallum moved that the application be continued to a further meeting of the Board to allow for further discussion.

On a vote 3 Members voted for the amendment and 5 Members for the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that the application be approved in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority.

# 799 Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation: Draxi Properties Ltd Westmost Ground Floor Flat, 15 South Street, Greenock

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a licence for house in multiple occupation by Draxi Properties Ltd for Westmost ground floor flat, 15 South Street, Greenock following an objection by Mrs Jean King, 26 South Street, Greenock. The Board heard Ms Hunter of Ballyconnelly Properties and Mrs Linda Downie, 15 South Street, Greenock in support of the application.

Councillor MacLeod moved that the application be granted in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority. As an amendment Councillor McCallum moved that the application be continued to a further meeting of the Board to allow for further discussion.

On a vote 3 Members voted for the amendment and 5 Members for the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that the application be approved in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority.

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#### 800 Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation: Draxi Properties Ltd Westmost First Floor Flat, 15 South Street, Greenock

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a licence for house in multiple occupation by Draxi Properties Ltd for Westmost first floor flat, 15 South Street, Greenock following an objection by Mrs Jean King, 26 South Street, Greenock. The Board heard Ms Hunter of Ballyconnelly Properties and Mrs Linda Downie, 15 South Street, Greenock in support of the application.

Councillor MacLeod moved that the application be granted in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority. As an amendment Councillor McCallum moved that the application be continued to a further meeting of the Board to allow for further discussion.

On a vote 3 Members voted for the amendment and 5 Members for the motion which was declared carried.

**Decided:** that the application be approved in principle for further consideration by the Council as Licensing Authority.

#### 801 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Mark Hamilton

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Administration on an application for a taxi driver's licence by Mr Mark Hamilton following a representation by the Chief Constable. This item was considered last on the agenda to allow opportunity for Mr Hamilton to appear. The Board heard Constable Gailey. **Decided:** that the application be refused.

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