

GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 12 DECEMBER 2012

General Purposes BoardWednesday 12 December 2012 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, McColgan, McIlwee and Shepherd.

Chair: Councillor Dorrian presided.

In attendance: Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services), Sergeant David Macdonald, Strathclyde Police.

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

722 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**722**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Grieve, Loughran, McEleny and Rebecchi with Councillor Shepherd substituting for Councillor Rebecchi.

There were no declarations of interest.

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.

723 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence: Peter McCullagh**723**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services requesting the Board to consider upholding the immediate suspension of the Taxi Driver's Licence granted to Mr McCullagh and also note the position in relation to his renewal application.

Mr McCullagh was not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board that Mr McCullagh's Taxi Driver's Licence had been immediately suspended with effect from 13 November 2012 following an adverse medical report. The Board were also informed that Mr McCullagh had withdrawn his renewal application submitted on 24 September 2012.

Decided:

- (a) to uphold the immediate suspension; and
- (b) note the renewal application has been withdrawn.

724 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: Mark O'Neill**724**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an

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application for the grant of Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr O'Neill following a police representation.

Mr O'Neill was present.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation and Mr O'Neill in support of his application.

Decided: that the application be granted.

725 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: [REDACTED] 725

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by [REDACTED] following a police objection.

[REDACTED] was not present or represented.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police objection.

Decided: that the application be refused.

726 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence: William Smiley 726

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Smiley following an adverse medical report.

Mr Smiley was present at the start of the meeting and notified the Clerk that his solicitor was unable to attend the meeting today.

The Clerk in consultation with the Chair agreed that the application may be continued to a further meeting of the Board and Mr Smiley left prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board of the current position. There followed a discussion in terms of the letter submitted by the medical practitioner dated 11 December 2012 which was circulated to the Board.

Decided:

- (a) that the application be continued to the next meeting of the Board to allow Mr Smiley to be suitably represented and
- (b) remit to the Depute Clerk to request Dr Sykes attendance at the next meeting of the Board to clarify medical matters.

727 Application for Taxi Operator Licence: Vehicle Specially Adapted for the Disabled: John Ian Ellis 727

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for renewal of Taxi Operator Licence No. 228 by Mr Ellis. Mr Jarvie advised the Board that Mr Ellis had telephoned the Licensing Section explaining that he is

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unable to attend the meeting today due to other commitments.

There followed a discussion in general terms in relation to licensing procedures when an application is made with no vehicle details.

Decided: that the application be continued to the next meeting of the Board.

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**Application for Second Hand Dealer's Licence: Mr Ahmar Muhammad
Premises: Greenock Gifts Limited, Hamilton Way, Oak Mall, Greenock**

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for the grant of a Second Hand Dealer's Licence by Mr Muhammad following a police representation.

Mr Muhammad was not present or represented.

The Board heard Sergeant Macdonald in support of the police representation.

Decided: that the application be refused.

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Application for Licence for House in Multiple Occupation

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There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Democratic Services on an application for a licence to operate Cardross View, Parkhill Avenue, Port Glasgow as a house in multiple occupation by Cloch Housing Association Ltd following a public objection.

The applicant and public objector were not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised the Board on the background of the application and the public objection.

Decided: that the application be granted.

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In response to a recent request in relation to the erasure of personal data, we have decided to redact the information above from this document.

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