

## GENERAL PURPOSES BOARD – 11 FEBRUARY 2015

General Purposes BoardWednesday 11 February 2015 at 3.00pm

**Present:** Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Brooks, Campbell-Sturgess, Dorrian, Jones, Loughran, McColgan, McIlwee and Rebecchi.

**Chair:** Councillor Dorrian presided.

**In attendance:** Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Property Services) and Inspector J Taylor, Police Scotland.

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

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| <b>101</b> | <b>Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest</b>  | <b>101</b> |
|            | <p>Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Grieve.<br/>There were no substitutions or declarations of interest intimated.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>  |            |
| <b>102</b> | <b>Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence – James Moore</b>  | <b>102</b> |
|            | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal &amp; Property Services requesting the Board to consider the suspension of Mr Moore's Taxi Driver's Licence which expires on 31 May 2015 following a letter submitted by Police Scotland dated 19 September 2014. As Mr Moore had not arrived at the meeting, Mr Jarvie asked Members to consider moving this item to the end of the Agenda to ascertain if Mr Moore will in fact be in attendance.<br/>The Board unanimously agreed to hear this item at the end of the meeting.</p>  |            |
| <b>103</b> | <b>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Stephen Petrie</b>   | <b>103</b> |
|            | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal &amp; Property Services for grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Petrie following a Police objection.<br/>Mr Petrie was not present or represented.<br/>Mr Jarvie advised on the background of the report. He intimated that this item had been continued from the meeting held on 14 January 2015 to allow Mr Petrie to be in attendance however Mr Petrie informed the Licensing Section on 10 February 2015 that he is unable to attend due to work commitments.<br/>The Board heard Inspector Taylor in support of the Police objection.<br/><b>Decided:</b> the application be refused.</p> |            |
| <b>104</b> | <b>Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Martin Webster</b>   | <b>104</b> |
|            | <p>There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal &amp; Property Services for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Webster following a Police representation.<br/>Mr Wilson was present representing the applicant. Mr Webster was not in attendance.</p>  |            |

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Mr Jarvie advised on the background of the report and intimated Mr Webster had submitted a letter dated 29 January 2015 in support of his application. The letter was circulated to Members.

The Board heard Inspector Taylor in support of the Police representation and Mr Wilson in support of the applicant.

**Decided:** the application be granted.

**105 Application for Taxi Driver's Licence – Stephen Stewart**

**105**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence by Mr Stewart following a Police objection.

Mr Stewart was present.

Mr Jarvie advised on the background of the report and intimated that Mr Stewart had undergone a medical examination, the result of which is contained in the Practitioner's letter dated 6 February 2015. He also advised that Mr Stewart submitted a letter dated 28 January 2015 in support of his application. The medical report and Mr Stewart's letter were circulated to Members.

Mr Jarvie requested the Board to consider the terms of the letters and asked to consider continuation of this item to the next meeting pending further information being sought.

Mr Stewart agreed to this request.

**Decided:** to continue consideration to the next meeting of the Board.

**106 Application for Renewal of Street Trader's Licence – John A. Brolly  
Fixed Site at Arthur Street, Greenock**

**106**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services for renewal of a Street Trader's Licence by Mr Brolly following an objection by Head of Environmental & Commercial Services (Roads).

Mr Brolly was present. Mrs Brolly was in attendance.

Mr Jarvie advised on the background of the report and intimated Mr Brolly had submitted a letter dated 19 January 2015 in support of his application. The letter was circulated to Members.

The Board heard Mr Brolly in support of his application.

**Decided:** the application be granted.

**107 Request for Suspension of Taxi Driver's Licence – James Moore**

**107**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal & Property Services requesting the Board to consider the suspension of Mr Moore's Taxi Driver's Licence which expires on 31 May 2015 following a letter submitted by Police Scotland dated 19 September 2014.

Mr Moore was not present or represented.

Mr Jarvie advised this item had been continued from the meeting held on 12 November 2014 and 14 January 2015 to allow pending matters to be concluded, the outcome of which would be intimated to the Board.

The Board heard Inspector Taylor in support of the Police recommendations.

**Decided:**

- (i) to continue consideration one final time to the next meeting of the Board.
- (ii) a recorded delivery letter be sent to Mr Moore advising him of the next meeting and giving him an opportunity to attend.