

Minute of Meeting Regulatory Functions Board

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday, 17 January 2018	10:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

Present: Councillor Eddie Devine, Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes, Councillor Cathy McEwan, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Kevin Montgomery, Councillor Emma Rodden, Councillor Andy Steel, Councillor Jane Strang

Chair

Councillor McNaughtan, Convener, presided.

In Attendance

D Campbell, Assistant Managing Solicitor (Licensing); P Shiach, Committee Services Officer, A Easdon, Licensing Officer (Paralegal), N Barr, Administrative Assistant and G McIntosh, Civic Government Enforcement Officer (for item 6 only) (all Finance & Resources).

Apologies

Provost Lorraine Cameron and Councillor Alistair Mackay.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order 16, the Convener intimated that he proposed to alter the order of business to facilitate the conduct of the meeting by considering items 7, 8(a) and 8(b) of the agenda prior to item 6 of the agenda.

1 Grant of a Public Entertainment (Tanning Salon) Licence - Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for the grant of a Public Entertainment (Tanning Salon) Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with Councillor Sheridan who had submitted an objection to the application and Councillor Dowling who had submitted a letter of objection outwith the statutory timescale to the application: -

Applicant: Terem Leisure Services Limited

Premises: Unit B, 53 Clippens Road, Linwood

Authorised activity: Tanning Salon

Operating hours: Monday to Sunday 9.00 to 22.00

Mr Feeney, on behalf of the applicant and Mr McGowan, his solicitor were invited into the meeting together with Councillor Sheridan. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Councillor Dowling.

The Assistant Managing Solicitor indicated that in the absence of Councillor Dowling, the reason for the late submission could not be ascertained. The Convener proposed that the objection submitted by Councillor Dowling be not taken into consideration when determining the application. This was agreed unanimously.

After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Board adjourned to allow members to consider the application. The meeting was reconvened and the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of one year. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of one year.

2 Renewal of a Second Hand Dealer's Licence SHD-098 - Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for a Second Hand Dealer's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time: -

Applicant: F1 Motor Company Limited

Premises: 26 Lonend, Paisley

Authorised activity: Second hand car sales

Operating hours: Monday to Saturday 9.00 am - 6.00 pm; Sunday 11.00 am - 4.00 pm

There was no appearance by or on behalf of the applicant. The Convener proposed that the application be continued to a future meeting to allow the applicant to appear in person. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That consideration of the application be continued and that the applicant be invited to a future meeting of the Board.

3 Grant of a Second Hand Dealer's Licence and Variation to Condition 4 – Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for the grant of a Second Hand Dealer's Licence and variation to Condition 4. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time: -

Applicant: Ramsdens Financial Limited

Premises: Unit 13, Intu Braehead Shopping Centre, Kings Inch Road, Glasgow

Authorised goods: Jewellery

Operating hours: Monday to Friday 10.00 am to 9.00 pm; Saturday 9.00 am to 6.30 pm; Sunday 10.00am to 6.00 pm

Mr O'Donnelly, on behalf of the applicant was invited into the meeting. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of one year with standard Condition 4 amended to allow the records referred to therein to be held electronically. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of one year with standard Condition 4 amended to allow the records referred to therein to be held electronically.

4 Grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence - Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for the grant of a Skin Piercing and Tattooing Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with the Director of Environment & Communities who had submitted an objection to the application: -

Ellie Campbell, 41 Viking Crescent, Houston

There was no appearance by or on behalf Ms Campbell. Mr G Wands and Mr R Marshall on behalf of the Director of Environment & Communities were invited into the meeting.

The Convener proposed that the application be continued to a future meeting to allow the applicant to appear in person. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That consideration of the application be continued and that the applicant be invited to a future meeting of the Board.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Board resolved that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of part I of schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

5 Renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence - Susp T2510 - Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for the renewal of a Taxi Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with Police Scotland who had submitted an objection to the application: -

William McNeill, 26 Stock Avenue, Paisley

The Assistant Managing Solicitor (Licensing) provided the Board with information relative to the applicant.

The Convener proposed that as a result of the information, there be no further consideration of the application. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That there be no further consideration of the application.

6 Grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence - Personal Appearance

Under reference to item 4 of the Minute of the meeting of this Board held on 7 December, 2017, the Board resumed consideration of the undernoted application for the grant of a Taxi Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the second time.

Scott Gilligan, 15 Alloway Grove, Paisley

There was no appearance on or on behalf of the applicant. The Convener proposed that the matter be considered in Mr Gilligan's absence and this was agreed unanimously.

Councillor McNaughtan, seconded by Councillor Hughes, moved that the application be continued to allow the applicant to appear in person.

Councillor McEwan, seconded by Councillor Steel, moved as an amendment that the application be refused.

In terms of Standing Order 30 the Convener intimated that the vote would be by a show of hands.

On a vote being taken, 4 members voted for the amendment and 4 members voted for the motion.

There being an equality of votes cast, the Convener used his second and casting vote

in favour of the motion. The motion was accordingly declared carried.

DECIDED: That consideration of the application be continued and that the applicant be invited to attend a future meeting of the Board.

7 Renewal of House in Multiple Occupation Licences - Personal Appearances

There were submitted the undernoted applications for the renewal of Licences for Houses in Multiple Occupancy. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with the Director of Environment & Communities who had submitted reports on the outcome of enquiries made by the Council in relation to the suitability of the living accommodation at the addresses: -

(a) Renfrewshire Social Work, 1 Blackford Crescent, Paisley

The Assistant Managing Solicitor (Licensing) advised that the outstanding matters had been resolved and that the application for renewal had been granted under delegated authority for a period of three years.

DECIDED: That it be noted that the application for renewal had been granted under delegated authority for a period of three years.

(b) Renfrewshire Social Work, 3 Blackford Crescent, Paisley

The Assistant Managing Solicitor (Licensing) advised that the outstanding matters had been resolved and that the application for renewal had been granted under delegated authority for a period of three years.

DECIDED: That it be noted that the application for renewal had been granted under delegated authority for a period of three years.

8 Renewal of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence - P6281 - Personal Appearance

There was submitted the undernoted application for the renewal of a Private Hire Car Driver's Licence. The applicant had been asked to appear personally for the first time together with Police Scotland who had submitted a representation to the application:-

David James Rush, 120 Blackstoun Crescent, Pollok

Mr Rush, the applicant, was invited into the meeting together with Sergeant Curran and Sergeant Finnie on behalf of the Chief Constable who had submitted a representation in respect of the application. After consideration of all matters before the Board, the Convener proposed that the application be granted for a period of two years. This was agreed unanimously.

DECIDED: That the application be granted for a period of two years.