

**EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT LICENSING PANEL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2008 AT 1000 HOURS  
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,  
KILMARNOCK**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Hugh Ross, Rose-Ann Cuninghame, John MacKay, Robert Keohone, John Campbell, Gordon Cree, Neil McGhee and Elaine Dinwoodie.

**ATTENDING:** Peter Hessett, Team Leader (Litigation and Advice); Paul Todd, Principal Officer, Environmental Health and Licensing; George Scott, Licensing Officer; and Sharon McHarg, Administrative Officer.

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Jim Buchanan, Jim Roberts and Barney Menzies.

**CHAIR:** Councillor Hugh Ross, Chair.

**NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC PROCESSION**

1. There was submitted (i) a report dated 27 February 2008 by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Panel to consider a notification of intention to hold a Public Procession; (ii) a letter dated 7 March 2008 from the organiser in response to the letters of representation; and (iii) a further letter of objection dated 7 March 2008 from Galston Parish Church (all circulated).

The Chair outlined the agreed Hearing Procedure and advised the three objectors in attendance that they should limit their presentation to 5 minutes each and the applicant should limit his presentation to 10 minutes.

**1.1 Hearing**

The Panel heard Councillor Stuart Finlayson, East Ayrshire Council, Reverend Graeme Wilson, Galston Parish Church and Mr Campbell McClelland representing Galston Community Council, in explanation of their objections, and Mr Sutherland, the applicant's representative, who spoke to all matters raised, all in accordance with the agreed Hearing Procedure.

The Panel were then given the opportunity to question representatives from Strathclyde Police.

The Panel then relocated to enable them to take and consider legal advice on the objections raised.

The Panel returned to the Meeting Room.

**1.2 Decision**

It was unanimously agreed to allow the procession to take place with the standard conditions.

**CONSIDERATION OF VARIATION OF THE RESOLUTION IN RESPECT OF  
PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING (Item 2, Page 2756, 03/07)**

2. There was submitted a report dated 27 February 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Panel to ratify the decision to vary the resolution in respect of Public Entertainment to include

Agricultural Shows or events, Equestrian Shows or events and Livestock Shows or events throughout East Ayrshire.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to vary the Resolution relating to the Public Entertainment to include the licensing of Agricultural Shows or events, Equestrian Shows or events and Livestock Shows or events throughout East Ayrshire;
- (ii) to remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to make the necessary arrangements; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

**REVIEW OF TAXI FARES AND ASSOCIATED CHARGES**  
**(Item 4, Page 227, 07/11)**

3. There was submitted a report dated 27 February 2008 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which invited the Panel to fix scales for taxi fares and associated charges.

It was agreed:-

- (i) to fix the scales for taxi fares and associated charges set out in Appendix I of the report, as already agreed and advertised;
- (ii) in view of the 14 day appeal period and the need to advertise amended fare scales and associated charges in local newspapers, to delay the implementation of the new charges until 1 June 2008;
- (iii) to remit to the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support to carry out the further statutory procedures as set out in Paragraph 5 of the report; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1110 hours.