

DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

At a Meeting of **General Licensing and Registration Sub-Committee (2)** held in Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham on **Monday 10 March 2014 at 1.30 pm**

Present:

Councillor C Carr (Chairman)

Members of the Committee:

Councillors J Blakey, P Crathorne, C Hampson and D Stoker

Also Present:

H Johnson – Licensing Team Leader

C Greenlay – Principal Solicitor (Litigation)

Sgt A Henderson – Durham Constabulary

1 Apology for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor K Hopper.

2 Substitutes

Councillor J Blakey substituting for Councillor K Hopper.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Exclusion of the Public

That under Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 of the Local Government Act 1972.

5 Application for a Collector's Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

The Chairman advised that the application had been considered at the meeting held at 10am the same day and was therefore withdrawn.

At this point the Chairman advised that consideration could be given to the following application.

6 Application for a Collectors Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services which requested the Sub-Committee to consider an application for a Collector's Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 (for copy see file of Minutes).

The Chairman invited Durham Constabulary to address the Sub-Committee and outline the reasons for their objection to the application.

Following questions by the Applicant's representative of Durham Constabulary and the Licensing Officer, the Applicant and his representative were invited to address the Sub-Committee. They then responded to questions from Members.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.20pm. After re-convening at 2.35pm the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the application be granted as the Applicant was deemed to be a suitable person to hold a Collector's Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

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The Chairman invited Durham Constabulary to address the Sub-Committee and outline the reasons for their objection to the application.

The Applicant was then invited to present his case and responded to questions from Members.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 2.55pm. After re-convening at 3.00pm the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the application be granted as the Applicant was deemed to be a suitable person to hold a Collector's Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.

The Chairman agreed that consideration be given to the following application not included on the Agenda.

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The Chairman noted that the Applicant had indicated that he would be represented at the hearing. The Applicant confirmed that he was happy to proceed without his representative being in attendance.

The Chairman invited Durham Constabulary to address the Sub-Committee and outline the reasons for their objection to the application.

The Applicant was then invited to present his case and responded to questions from Members.

The Sub-Committee retired to deliberate the application in private at 3.30pm. After re-convening at 3.36pm the Chairman delivered the Sub-Committee's decision.

Resolved:

That the application be granted as the Applicant was deemed to be a suitable person to hold a Collector's Licence under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013.