

LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE
2nd July, 2010

PRESENT – Councillors Dunstone, J. Lyonette and Newall. (3)

LS13. ELECTION OF CHAIR – RESOLVED – Councillor Newall.

LS14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

LS14. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS – RESOLVED – That, pursuant to Sections 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in exclusion paragraphs 1 and 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

LS15. APPLICATION FOR A PERSONAL LICENCE – The Director of Corporate Services submitted a report (previously circulated) to consider an application for a Personal Licence following a relevant representation from Durham Constabulary.

An application for a personal licence had disclosed an offence but not the details. Officers have been advised that the offence was improper importation of goods. As a result the notice of application was served on the Chief Officer of Police as the only Responsible Authority entitled to make representations in relation to Personal Licences; a representation has been made.

The applicant and a representative from the Police attended the meeting and answered Members questions.

RESOLVED – That the personal licence be refused.

REASONS – Members based their decision on the following reasons:-

- (a) The applicant did not provide members with any compelling or exceptional circumstances which they could take into consideration..
- (b) The Police had shown that the applicant has a relevant unspent conviction and to grant the licence in such circumstances would undermine the Crime and Prevention Objective as outlined by the Police during the hearing.