

REGULATORY PANEL

Minutes of a hybrid webcast meeting of
26 September 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Present in County Hall: Councillors Kenneth Bell (Chair), Alec Clark, Martin Kilbride, Alan Lamont and Duncan Townson.

Apologies: Councillors Ian Cavana, Mark Dixon, Mary Kilpatrick and Craig Mackay.

Attending: K. Briggs, Service Lead – Legal and Licensing; L. McChristie, Co-ordinator (Licensing); C. Carroll, Co-ordinator (Housing Policy and Strategy); M. Headrick, Co-ordinator (Trading Standards and Environmental Health); D. Scobie, Civic Licensing Standards Officer; J. McClure, Committee Services Lead Officer; and C. McCallum, Committee Services Assistant.

Also Attending: Inspector I. McColl, Police Scotland.

Chair's Remarks

The Chair

- (1) welcomed everyone to the meeting; and
- (2) outlined the procedures for conducting this meeting and advised that this meeting would be broadcast live.

1. Sederunt and Declarations of Interest.

The Co-ordinator (Licensing) called the Sederunt for the meeting and having called the roll, confirmed that there were no declarations of interest by Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of 29 August 2024 and 5 September 2024 (Special) (issued) were submitted and approved.

3. Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 – Licences

(a) Short Term Lets

4A Milton Wynd, Turnberry

The Panel heard from the Co-ordinator (Housing Policy and Strategy), from the two objectors and from the applicant in relation to the above application.

In terms of Standing Order No. 19.9, there was no general agreement to the unopposed motion, therefore, the Panel moved to a vote undertaken by electronic means for or against the Motion. Three Members voted for the Motion and two Members voted against the Motion and accordingly, the Panel

Decided: to approve this application subject to the removal of any keys and key boxes from the communal areas within four weeks of the date of this meeting and to advise the Short Term Lets Team when this had been carried out; and subject to standard conditions as previously agreed.

Variation in Order of Business

In terms of Standing Order No. 13.3, the Panel agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

(b) Second Hand Dealers

(i) Anjum Sohail for Hotspot, 157 High Street, Ayr

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer, from the Co-ordinator (Trading Standards and Environmental Health, from Police Scotland and from the applicant and adjourned for consideration of this application.

Upon reconvening, the Panel, having considered the written and verbal submissions,

Decided: following its concerns about the range of serious ongoing issues discussed that were the responsibility of the applicant, his non-compliance with the law and concerns about his ability to operate a Second Hand Dealer's Licence, to refuse this application on the grounds that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold the licence.

(ii) Anjum Sohail for Mobile Doctor, 163 High Street, Ayr

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer, from the Co-ordinator (Trading Standards and Environmental Health and from the applicant in relation to this application.

The Panel, having considered the written and verbal submissions,

Decided: following its concerns about the range of serious ongoing issues discussed that were the responsibility of the applicant, his non-compliance with the law and concerns about his ability to operate a Second Hand Dealer's Licence, to refuse this application on the grounds that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold the licence

(iii) **Anjum Sohail for Phone , 260 High Street, Ayr**

The Panel heard from the Civic Licensing Standards Officer, from the Co-ordinator (Trading Standards and Environmental Health and from the applicant in relation to this application.

The Panel, having considered the written and verbal submissions,

Decided: following its concerns about the range of serious ongoing issues discussed that were the responsibility of the applicant, his non-compliance with the law, concerns about his ability to operate a Second Hand Dealer's Licence and his operating without a licence, to refuse this application on the grounds that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold the licence

Councillor Townson left the meeting at this point.

(c) **Short Term Lets**

4E Milton Wynd, Turnberry

The Panel heard from the Co-ordinator (Housing Policy and Strategy), from the two objectors and from the applicant's representative in relation to the above application.

The Panel

Decided: to approve this application subject to the internal doors and external flat door being fitted with soft closure fittings within six weeks of the date of this meeting; and subject to standard conditions as previously agreed.

The meeting ended at 1.10 p.m.