

At a meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 2013 at 2.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor A. Wilson in the Chair

Councillors Bell, Bonallie, Emerson, Farthing, P. Gibson, MacKnight, Marshall, Richardson, D. Smith and Waller

Declarations of Interest

Item 9

The Chairman declared that she knew the applicant personally and withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of this item

Item 13

Councillor Emerson declared that he knew the applicant and withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of this item.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillor Dixon

Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 2nd September, 2013

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 2nd September, 2013, Part I (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) which advised the Committee of the requirements of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 and requested Members agreement to receive a training session on the act.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Tom Terrett, Trading Standards and Licensing Manager, presented the report and advised Members that the Council was required to accept and process applications for licences under the act from 1st October 2013 and that the Council had agreed that

the Regulatory Committee would be the decision maker should any representations be received on the application. Any applications with no objections received would be dealt with as delegated decisions by officers. It was proposed that a training session be arranged and Members were asked to consider when they wanted the training to take place.

Councillor Gibson queried whether it would be possible to place restrictions on collectors to prevent them from working 7 days a week as there were often collectors working early on Sunday mornings. Mr Terrett advised that there would be conditions that could be imposed. One of the main reasons for the act was to end cash dealing and require identification to be checked when buying scrap metal.

Councillor Smith suggested that the training session be held directly after the next meeting of the Committee. He also referred to the need to take copies of identification and asked whether a mobile phone photograph would be acceptable. Mr Terrett advised that this would be an acceptable way of taking a copy of identification.

Councillor Richardson agreed that the training would be best to be held directly after the next meeting.

2. RESOLVED that the report be noted and a training session for Members on the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 be arranged to take place after the next meeting of the Committee.

Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

3. RESOLVED that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during consideration of the remaining business as it was considered likely to include the disclosure of exempt information relating to an individual and the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Authority holding that information). (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A, Part I, Paragraphs 1 and 3).

(Signed) A. WILSON,
Chairman.

Note:-

The above minutes comprise only those relating to items during which the meeting was open to members of the public.

Additional minutes in respect of further items are included in Part II.