

REGULATORY PANEL

WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2011 AT 2.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillor Morton (Chairman), Councillors Bell, Cape, Mrs Franklin Mrs Parsons, Mrs Robson, Scarborough, Mrs Vasey, Mrs Warwick and Whalen.

RP.73/11 COUNCILLOR TOOTLE

It was with much sadness that the Chairman reported the death of Councillor James Tootle, City Councillor for Castle Ward. The Panel paid tribute to the work Councillor Tootle carried out in his Ward and expressed their admiration for his strong political beliefs. The Panel extended their condolences and thoughts to Councillor Tootle's family.

Members stood for a moment's silence as a mark of respect to the memory of Councillor Tootle.

RP.74/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Mrs Farmer and Councillor Layden.

RP.75/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest affecting the business to be transacted at the meeting.

RP.76/11 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED – 1) That the minutes of the meetings held on 10 August and 14 September 2011 be agreed as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

2) That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2011 be noted.

RP.77/11 STREET COLLECTIONS 2012

The Licensing Officer presented Report GD.64/11 containing details of all applications received for the year 2012 in respect of Street Collections.

The Licensing Officer advised that there was a requirement that organisers of all Street Collections give details of their collections on a formal statement issued to

them at the time they received authorisation for their ventures. The Council should receive this within one month of the collection taking place. All of the charities that were granted a collection last year and had re-applied had complied with the condition.

In 2010 the Panel authorised 9 collections in Carlisle, a further 61 “one-off” money raising charity events were authorised throughout the year by the Assistant Director (Governance) on the condition they did not clash with those authorised by the Panel.

He added that all of the applications were from registered charities and therefore complied with the criteria which had been agreed by the Regulatory Panel at its meeting on 21 January 2009.

RESOLVED –

(1) That the following street collections in Carlisle be approved:

- Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal
- Royal National Lifeboat Institution
- RAF Wings Appeal
- Christian Aid Group
- Help for Heroes
- RSPCA
- Carlisle Talking Newspaper for the Blind
- Cumbria Cerebral Palsy
- British Heart Foundation
- Penrith Mountain Rescue
- World Cancer Research Fund

(2) That the following street collection in Brampton be approved:

- Cumbria Cerebral Palsy

RP.78/11 HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE CCTV REQUIREMENTS

The Licensing Manager submitted report GD.65/11 regarding an amendment to the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire CCTV Requirements.

The Licensing Manager reminded the Panel that they had approved the amended Hackney Carriage and Private Hire CCTV Requirements at their meeting on 19 October 2011. The requirements had stated that a minimum of two warning signs had to be displayed inside the vehicle regarding the presence of CCTV and that the sign should be a minimum of 9cm long and 5cm deep with the text being no less than 6mm.

He reported that the Licensing Office had since obtained a sample warning sign which was suitable for use with CCTV systems and the font was smaller than that originally stated in the requirements which the Panel agreed on 19 October 2011. To allow the sign or similar signs to be permitted the font would need to be reduced in paragraph 6 of the requirements from 6mm to 4mm. The Licensing Manager had included a sample of the proposed signage in the report.

RESOLVED – That the Hackney Carriage and Private Hire CCTV requirements be amended to reflect the new font size of 4mm for the warning signs and the amended requirements, as appended to report GD.65/11, be adopted.

(The meeting ended at 2.05 pm)