7. <u>CIVIC GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982 - WINDOW CLEANER'S LICENCE - ITEM 10</u>

Introductions were made by all parties. The Chair explained the procedure that would be followed.

The applicant was in attendance at the meeting and was unrepresented. The applicant confirmed he was content to proceed without representation.

Police Scotland was represented by PC Tom White

The applicant confirmed he had no dispute with the contents of the report and the information provided in Police Scotland's letter of objection and provided the Committee with additional documents which were circulated to all parties.

The Clerk referred the Committee to the report.

The Committee heard PC White speak in relation to the objection by Police Scotland.

The applicant was given an opportunity to question PC White.

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The Committee heard the applicant speak in support of his application.

Inspector Smith was given an opportunity to question the applicant.

The Committee had an opportunity to question the applicant.

Finally, both parties were given an opportunity to sum up.

The Clerk provided the Committee with legal advice. Both parties were given an opportunity to comment on the legal advice before leaving the room to allow the Committee to deliberate in private.

Following private deliberations both parties returned. The Clerk advised that he had not provided any further legal advice to the Committee in the private session. The Committee then made its decision.

Decision

To refuse to grant the application for a Window Cleaner's Licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 Schedule 1, Section 5(3)(a)(ii) as it was the opinion of the Committee that the applicant was not a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.