



Licensing Committee

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Report Title Review of Fees and Charges for General Licensing and Miscellaneous Matters for 2015/16

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Recommendations:

The Licensing Committee are recommended to:

- (i) Approve the proposed fees and charges for General Licensing as set out in Appendix A with effect from 1 April 2015.
- (ii) Approve the distribution of free printed material consent for new businesses to be made permanent.
- (iii) Note the fees and charges set by the Secretary of State in relation to the Licensing Act 2003 over which the Council has no local control.
- (iv) Approve the proposed fees and charges set out in Appendix B in relation to the Gambling Act 2005 with effect from 1 April 2015 over which the Council has fee setting powers.
- (v) Note other fees and charges for permits set by the Secretary of State in relation to the Gambling Act 2005 over which the Council has no local control.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To submit for consideration proposed fees and charges for 2015/16 in relation to certain licences and licensed activities that are regulated by the Licensing Committee.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The Council is empowered under various statutes to levy fees for the issue of local licences and permits.
- 2.2 This report does not include street trading fees and charges which are the subject of another report to this meeting.
- 2.3 The Council policy is to review its fees on an annual basis and introduce increases at least in line with the increased cost of providing the service, whilst also having due regard to the Council's social and economic policies. In relation to a number of licence types, the fees and charges are set by the Secretary of State.

3.0 Proposals for 2015/16

3.1 General licensing

- 3.1.1 Certain licences, permits and registrations are subject to local control for fees and charges.
- 3.1.2 It is proposed that the existing fees and charges for General Licensing for the current year 2014/15 remain unchanged for the coming year 2015/16. These are detailed at Appendix A.
- 3.1.3 On 16 January 2013 the Licensing Committee approved the introduction of a two day consent in relation to the distribution of free printed material for new businesses. This was introduced on a trial basis and it is proposed to make this permanent.

3.2 Licensing Act

- 3.2.1 Fees and charges for premises, clubs, personal licences, temporary event notices and other fees in relation to the Licensing Act 2003 are set by the Secretary of State.
- 3.2.2 Since the implementation of the Act in 2005 there has been no increase in fees set by the Secretary of State.
- 3.2.3 Councillors should note that applications made under Sections 17, 34, 71 and 84 of the Licensing Act 2003 which relate to the provision of Regulated Entertainment within Educational Institutions i.e. Schools or College or premises that are or form part of a Church Hall, Chapel Hall or similar building or Village Hall, Parish Hall or Community Hall or other similar building are exempt from payment of fees.

3.3 Gambling Act

- 3.3.1 It is proposed to continue to charge the maximum fees as set by the Secretary of State for premises licences, temporary use notices and other fees in relation to the Gambling Act 2005 as set out at Appendix B of this report. This is to reflect the cost of the service.
- 3.3.2 In relation to Gambling Act fees for permits, small society registrations etc these are set by the Secretary of State and the Licensing Authority has no discretion to amend these fee levels.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 Should the Licensing Committee agree with the recommendations in this report it is anticipated that overall income from the proposed fees and charges in Appendices A and B which are subject to local control will cover the cost of providing the service assuming the number of licences remain at the current level.
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5.0 Environmental implications

- 5.1 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

6.0 Legal implications

- 6.1 The legal implications are considered within the main body of the report.
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7.0 Schedule of background papers

- 7.1 Licensing Committee – 16 January 2013 - Review of fees and charges for general licensing and miscellaneous matters for 2013/14.

Licensing Committee – 26 February 2014 - Review of fees and charges for general licensing and miscellaneous matters for 2014/15.

APPENDIX A

GENERAL LICENSING FEES AND CHARGES SUBJECT TO LOCAL CONTROL

| | LICENCE | PROPOSED CHARGE 2015/16 £ |
|-----|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1. | Riding Establishments | 210 |
| 2. | Performing Animals | 145 |
| 3. | Pet Shops | 160 |
| 4. | Dog Breeding Licences | 160 |
| 5. | Animal Boarding Establishments | 160 |
| 6. | Home Boarding (up to 4 animals) | 95 |
| 7. | Dangerous and Wild Animals | |
| | (i) Initial | 505 |
| | (ii) Full | 260 |
| | (iii) Random Inspections | 175 |
| 8. | Cosmetics etc. | |
| | A. Premises | |
| | (i) Acupuncture | |
| | (ii) Tattooing | |
| | (iii) Electrolysis | |
| | (iv) Ear Piercing | 105 |
| | (v) Cosmetic Piercing | |
| | (vi) Semi-Permanent Skin Colouring | |
| | B. Persons - All | |
| | Variation of Licence | 35 |
| 9. | Poisons Act | |
| | (i) Initial | 55 |
| | (ii) Alteration | 35 |
| | (iii) Maintain on list | 45 |
| 10. | Sex Establishments | |
| | (i) Initial (Shop or Cinema) | 2,500 |
| | (ii) Renewal (Shop or Cinema) | 2,000 |
| | (iii) Initial Sev | 3,330 |
| | (iv) Renewal Sev | 2,830 |
| | (v) Initial Joint (Shop/Cinema/Sev) | 3,750 |
| | (vi) Renewal Joint (Shop/Cinema/Sev) | 3,250 |
| | (vii) Transfer | 500 |
| | (viii) Variation | At cost |

| | LICENCE | PROPOSED CHARGE 2015/16 £ |
|-----|--|-------------------------------------|
| 11. | Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 (3 Years) (i) Collectors (ii) Additional Collectors Copy of Licence (iii) Site (iv) Additional Site (v) Variation of Licence | 160 45 450 250 50 |
| 12. | Highways Act 1980 (i) Table and Chairs (ii) A-Boards (iii) Goods on the Highway | 25 25 25 |
| 13. | Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 (i) Distribution of Free Printed Matter (ii) Additional Badges (iii) 1 Day Consent (Up to 2 Persons) (iv) 7 Day Consent (Up to 2 Persons) (v) New small/medium business consent (2 days) | 300 45 50 100 No charge |
| 14. | Mini-Bus Permits and Disc (5 Years) (i) Initial (ii) Renewal (iii) Replacement | 25 25 25 |

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THE GAMBLING ACT 2005 – APPROVED FEES FROM 1 APRIL 2015 UNTIL 31 MARCH 2016

| Category of Premises License | Application Fee in Respect of Conversion of Provisional Statement | Application Fee in Respect of New Premises Licences | Annual Fee YEAR 2 | Fee for Application to Vary Licence | Fee for Application to Transfer a Licence | Fee for Application for Reinstatement of a Licence | Fee for Application for Provisional Statement | Fee for Notification of a change of Circumstance (Statutory Fee) | Fee for Application for Copy of Licence (Statutory Fee) | Fee for giving notification of a TUN (MAX £500) | Fee for requesting a copy of a TUN (MAX £25) |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|---|--|
| New Small Casino Premises | MAX £3,000 | MAX £8,000 | MAX £5,000 | MAX £4,000 | MAX £1,800 | MAX £1,800 | MAX £8,000 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Converted Casino Premises | N/A | N/A | MAX £3,000 | MAX £2,000 | MAX £1,350 | MAX £1,350 | N/A | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Bingo Premises | MAX £1,200 | MAX £3,500 | MAX £1,000 | MAX £1,750 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £3,500 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Adult Gaming Centre Premises | MAX £1,200 | MAX £2,000 | MAX £1,000 | MAX £1,000 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £2,000 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Betting Premises (Track) | MAX £950 | MAX £2,500 | MAX £1,000 | MAX £1,250 | MAX £950 | MAX £950 | MAX £2,500 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Family Entertainment Centre | MAX £950 | MAX £2,000 | MAX £750 | MAX £1,000 | MAX £950 | MAX £950 | MAX £2,000 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |
| Betting Premises (Other) | MAX £1,200 | MAX £3,000 | MAX £600 | MAX £1,500 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £1,200 | MAX £3,000 | £50 | £25 | £500 | £25 |