

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING & APPEALS COMMITTEE

24 MAY 2012

Report of the Chief Solicitor

Part 1- Public

Matters for Information

1 HOME OFFICE STATISTICAL BULLETIN RETURN FOR TMBC

1.1 Executive Summary

1.1.1 The Home Office is responsible for compiling a National Statistics bulletin on alcohol and late night refreshments under the Licensing Act 2003.

1.1.2 The Government has been collecting licensing data on the Licensing Act 2003 since the first survey in 2006/07.

1.1.3 This exercise by the Home Office is to capture the number of licences in force on the 31 March 2012 and licence activity between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2012.

1.2 Licensing Statistical Bulletin 2012

1.2.1 A copy of the return for 2012 is shown in Annex 1. For the assistance of Members, key information contained in our return is explained below.

1.2.2 **Q1a** – Number of Premises Licences and club Premises Certificates by fee. The total number of 314 premises licences and 31 club premises certificates includes premises where no fee is applicable.

The current fees are determined by rateable value of the premises

Rateable Value	Band	Fees
No rateable value to £4300	A	£100
£4300 to £33,000	B	£190
£33,001 to £87,000	C	£315
£87,001 to £125,000	D	£450
£125,001 and above	E	£635

Rateable Value	Band	Annual Fees
No rateable value to £4300	A	£70
£4300 to £33,000	B	£180
£33,001 to £87,000	C	£295
£87,001 to £125,000	D	£320
£125,001 and above	E	£350

Multiplier – Multipliers are applied to premises used exclusively or primarily for the supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises under the authorisation of a premises licence (Bands D & E only). There are only 2 such premises within the Borough -

Band D multiplier – Humphrey Bean, Tonbridge

Band E multiplier – Hop Farm

1.2.3 **Q1b** – Premises exempt from fees:

Church, chapel, village, parish and community halls

No fee or annual charge is payable by church halls, chapel halls, village halls, parish halls and community halls or other premises of a similar nature for a premises licence authorizing the provision of regulated entertainment only. The costs associated with these licences will be met by Central Government.

Schools and colleges

No fee or annual charge is payable by a school providing education for pupils up to Year 13 (or a sixth form college) for a premises licence authorizing the provision of regulated entertainment only. The regulated entertainment must be carried out by the educational establishment at the premises for the purposes of the educational establishment. Again the costs of these licences will be met by Central Government.

1.2.4 **Q3** - Number of premises with 24-hour alcohol licences by premises type

Tonbridge and Malling have 16 premises which are deemed trading 24 hours for the purpose of the return (set out below). Members are asked to note that premises may have a licence which allows for 24 hour trading for alcohol but may not choose to operate on a 24 hour basis.

Pubs, Bars and Nightclubs

- Source of Sound, Tonbridge

Supermarkets and Stores

- Sainsbury's, Aylesford
- Tesco, Aylesford
- Asda, Kings Hill
- Tesco, Larkfield
- Night & Day convenience store, Wrotham

Hotel Bars

- The Bull Hotel, Wrotham
- Langley Hotel, Tonbridge
- Hilltop Hotel and country Club, Wrotham
- Hadlow Manor Hotel
- Hamlets Hotel and Restaurant, Larkfield
- Rose and Crown Hotel, Tonbridge
- Castle Hotel, Tonbridge

Other Premises Types

- Three Elms Service station, Hadlow Road, Tonbridge
- Parkfoot Garage, London Road, West Malling
- Aylesford Priory, Aylesford

1.2.5 Q5 – New premises applications were:

- Cafe Troika, Borough Green
- The Green Man, Borough Green
- Townsend Hook Bowls Club, Snodland
- SK Fried Chicken, Tonbridge
- Waitrose, Kings Hill
- Kinara, East Malling
- Hardens, Wrotham

Q5 – Variations to premises licences:

- Sanchos, Tonbridge
- The Fancy Goat, West Malling

Q6 – Number of applications that went to a committee hearing were:

- Cafe Troika, Borough Green
- Sanchos, Tonbridge

Q7a – Number of completed reviews were:

- Starlight Stores, Borough Green

1.3 Legal Implications

1.3.1 None

1.4 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.4.1 None

1.5 Risk Assessment

1.5.1 Failure to submit licensing statistical bulletin may result in the Home Office not being able to assess the national licensing statistics with full accuracy.

Background papers:none

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