

To: General Purposes Licensing Committee
Date: 7 February 2022
Report of: Head of Regulatory Services and Community Safety
Title of Report: Miscellaneous Licensing: Fees and Charges for the 2022/23 financial year

Summary and recommendations	
Purpose of report:	To seek agreement of the licence fees for 2022/23 where the Council has discretion over the level of fee charged
Corporate Priority	Enable an Inclusive Economy and Support Thriving Communities
Policy Framework	Council Strategy 2020-24
Recommendation(s): That the General Purposes Licensing Committee resolves to:	
1. Agree the licence fees and charges for 2022/23 as set out in Appendix 1 and recommend them to Council	

Appendices	
Appendix 1	Proposed Fees & Charges for 2022/2023 applicable to the Miscellaneous Licensing functions within the Business Regulation Team

Introduction

1. The purpose of this report is to seek agreement to the licence fees and charges that should apply for 2022/23, for those activities where the Council has discretion. This report does not cover the fees for Licensing and Gambling Act activities, which are reported separately to the Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee.
2. The fees and charges detailed within this report and found at **Appendix 1** relate solely to the functions of the Business Regulation Team. A further report will be provided to Members in relation to the fees and charges related to the functions of the General Licensing Team.
3. The statutory principle in relation to the setting of fees is that they should be reasonable, proportionate and not exceed the cost of the procedures and

formalities of the relevant licensing scheme, including staffing, training, administration, testing, inspections, hearings, and regulation.

4. Licence fees set by the Council and administered in the Miscellaneous Licensing function comprise the following: Acupuncture, Ear Piercing, Electrolysis & Tattooing, Animal Boarding, Dangerous Wild Animals, Dog Breeding, Pavement Cafes, Pet Shops, Exhibiting Animals, Riding Establishments, Street Trading and Zoos.
5. No inflationary increase is proposed to the 2022/23 fees and charges for Street Trading in order to promote and support local businesses.
6. In 2020 central Government brought in Pavement Licences under new temporary provisions in the Business and Planning Act 2020. This measure was intended to boost the high street and encourage the hospitality sector as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic. Originally a 12 month scheme, the Pavement Licence provisions were subsequently extended and currently run until September 2022. In the event that the provisions are not extended beyond that date, outdoor tables and chairs would need to be applied for under the pre-existing Street Cafes provisions. It is therefore proposed that fees for a Street Café Licence be amended from a single charge of £100 to reflect the number of tables and chairs applied for. The proposed fees may be seen in Appendix A

Financial Implications

7. The Council is responsible for collecting licence fees for these functions. Predicted income from licence fees is included in the Council's budget estimates for 2022/23.

Legal issues

8. The power to levy fees is contained in the legislation relevant to each function or in the Local Government Act 2003 in relation to discretionary services. Fees and charges should reasonably represent the costs of carrying out the function.

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Appendix 1: Proposed Fees & Charges for 2022/2023 applicable to the Miscellaneous Licensing functions within the Business Regulation Team

Regulatory & Community Safety Fees and Charges 2021/22				
	2021/22 Charge	2022/23 Charge	Increase/ (Decrease)	Increase/ (Decrease)
Street Trading Consents - subject to approval by General Purposes Licensing Committee				
City Centre & Late Night Traders				
Application Fee	345.00	355.00	10.00	2.90
Annual consent (Pro Rata for period of Consent)	8,180.00	8,180.00	0.00	0.00
Weekly Consent (Weekly Rota)	183.00	183.00	0.00	0.00
All other traders				
Application Fee	345.00	355.00	10.00	2.90
Annual consent (Pro Rata for period of Consent)	2,780.00	2,780.00	0.00	0.00
Peripatetic traders (mobile traders- e.g. icecream vans, sandwich vans)				
Application fee	115.00	120.00	5.00	4.35
Annual consent (Pro Rata for period of Consent)	1,445.00	1,445.00	0.00	0.00
General Charges				
Replacement Consent	34.50	35.00	0.50	1.45
Identification badge (per badge)	34.50	35.00	0.50	1.45
Events				
Street Trading at event for commercial benefit (up to 5 days) - per stall	29.50	32.00	2.50	8.47
Street Trading at event for commercial benefit (6-14 days) - per stall	47.50	50.00	2.50	5.26
Street Trading at event for community / charity benefit	No Fee	No Fee		
Pavement Licences				
Annual Fee as set by the Business and Planning Act 2020	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Street Café Licences - subject to approval by General Purposes Licensing Committee				
Proposed annual fees if the Business and Planning Act 2020 is not extended:				
1-4 tables	N/A	150.00		
5-10 tables	N/A	200.00		
10 or more tables	N/A	250.00		
Miscellaneous Licensing - subject to approval by General Purposes Licensing Committee				
Acupuncture, ear piercing, electrolysis & tattooing (only payable on first registration - person)	126.00	130.00	4.00	3.17
Acupuncture, ear piercing, electrolysis & tattooing (only payable on first registration - premises)	253.00	260.00	7.00	2.77
Boarding for cats and/or dogs	306 + vet fee	315 + vet fee	9.00	3.00
Hiring out horses	306 + vet fee	315 + vet fee	9.00	3.00
Breeding dogs	306 + vet fee	315 + vet fee	9.00	3.00
Selling animals as pets	306 + vet fee	315 + vet fee	9.00	3.00
Keeping or training animals for exhibition	285 + vet fee	285 + vet fee	9.00	3.00
Request for variation	132.00	135.00	3.00	2.27
Request for re-inspection	132 + vet fee	132 + vet fee	3.00	2.27
Dangerous Wild Animals	455 + vet fee	465 + vet fee	10.00	2.20
Zoo	455 + vet fee	465 + vet fee	10.00	2.20

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