Public Notice



Slough Borough Council DESIGNATION OF AN AREA FOR SELECTIVE LICENSING

Section 80, Housing Act 2004

Notice is hereby given that Slough Borough Council in exercise of its powers under Section 80 of the Housing Act 2004 ("the Act") has on the 25th March 2019 designated the area, delineated in red on the map below, for selective licensing.

The designation shall be known as the Slough Borough Council Designation of an Area for Selective Licensing 2019. The designation falls within a description of designations for which the Secretary of State has issued a General Approval dated 26 March 2015.

Therefore the designation need not be confirmed by the Secretary of State and it will come into force on 1st July 2019 and shall cease to have effect on 30th June 2024 unless revoked under Section 84 of the Act.

The designation applies to any privately rented property that is not a licensable house in multiple occupation, and is occupied under a tenancy or a licence, within the area shown in the map below.

Landlords, people managing properties and tenants within the designated area should contact the Housing Regulation

Team for further advice if they have doubts as to whether a licence is required for their property.

A person having control of or managing a privately rented property within the designated area must apply to Slough Borough Council for a licence and pay the fee set by the Authority. If granted, the licence shall be valid for a period not exceeding five years from the date of granting of the licence

Failure to apply for a licence is an offence under Section 95(1) of the Act, for which a person may be prosecuted and upon summary conviction liable to an unlimited fine. A person who breaches a condition of a licence is liable to prosecution and upon summary conviction liable to a fine up to a maximum of £5000. The Council may, as an alternative to prosecution, use civil penalties (Housing and Planning Act 2016), with a maximum penalty of £30,000.

For an application to be considered it must provide prescribed particulars and must be accompanied by the required fee, including documentation which the Authority may deem appropriate.

If you are a landlord, managing agent, or a tenant, or if you require any further information regarding this designation, or to apply for a licence, further information and assistance is available from the Council's Housing Regulation Team by telephone on 01753 875431 or online at www.slough.gov.uk/business/licences-and-permits/multiple-occupancy-home-licences, or by email: privatesectorhousing1@slough.gov.uk or by writing to Housing Regulation Team, My Council, Landmark Place, High Street, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 11L. The designation may be inspected at the above address during office hours.

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