

**Report of the Service Director Legal Services
to the Statutory Licensing Regulatory Board
to be held on the 24 April 2019**

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report, is to provide Members with an overview of the work Licensing Enforcement Officers have undertaken to date.

2. Background

Members are minded to note, that Licensing Enforcement Officers have continued to proactively embark on a number of licensing enforcement operations. A summary of enforcement operations undertaken are detailed below.

3. Current Position

Premises Licence Inspections

Since January 2019 Officers have inspected 30 licensed premise throughout the borough to ensure compliance with Licensing Act 2003, their premises license and any conditions attached to the said licence.

During our inspections 4 premises were found to have insufficient documentation with particular reference to refusals logs and designated premises licence holder authorisations. Officers have continued to work with the offending premises to ensure their understanding of the legislation and its requirements and also to ensure compliance going forward.

Scrap Metal

Officers have received recent information relating to 2 unlicensed scrap metal collectors operating within the Barnsley Borough. We are currently making contact with the offenders to assist them to carry out their activities legitimately and obtain the relevant licences.

In addition Licensing Officers are currently working with the Safer Neighbourhoods Team and South Yorkshire Police to set up future joint enforcement operations to target scrap metal sites and collectors to ensure compliance with the relevant legislation.

4. Proposal

Proactive enforcement operations will continue to take place on a regular basis. Whilst offences are always unacceptable we will combat ill failings and convey the message that all individuals licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 and the Scrap Metal Dealers Act must begin to accept responsibility for their failures and make a change.

Failure to do so, will only continue to put the safety of the public at risk when frequenting licensed premises and their surrounding areas.

5. Background Papers

Enforcement Officer Reports which contain exempt information are not available for public inspection

6. Officer Contact

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