EAST HERTS COUNCIL

LICENSING COMMITTEE - 14 JULY 2016

REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT ON LICENSING ACTIVITY QUARTER 1 OF 2016

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report:

To update Members on activity in the licensing department re:

- Processing licences,
- Enforcement activity, and
- Other implementation of the Service Plan

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSING COMMITTEE: that (A) The report be received.

- 1.0 Background
- 1.1 This report presents data by full quarters on processing and enforcement data, and Licensing Sub Committee involvement, on licences, notices, and permits, and applications including
 - Alcohol, entertainment, and late night refreshment licences under the Licensing Act 2003,
 - Gaming under the Gambling Act 2005,
 - Taxi drivers, vehicle proprietors and operators.
- 1.2 This report also records developments in the service that implement the Service Plan.
- 2.0 Report
- 2.1 See **Essential Reference Paper 'B'** for performance data for quarter 1 of 2016: 1 January 31 March 2016. This contains the numbers of applications or notices received, and totals of current licences.

2.2 During this quarter the enforcement team have undertaken 112 actions which are divided between visits, inspections and investigations. These have been analysed further and are recorded as:

•	Taxi Inspections and Investigations	39
•	Premises Complaints	4
•	Premises Visits	44
•	Gambling Premises visits	0
•	Notice checks	5
•	Invoice visits/chase ups	20
•	House to House Collection complaints	0
•	Taxi Camera Investigations	0
•	TENS Complaints and Investigations	0

All complaints regarding taxis and premises have been fully investigated or awaiting the outcome of Police investigations.

2.3 Under the licensing points system a total of 76 points have been issued to 25 licence holders. This is continuing to contribute to improvements in drivers and proprietors behaviour.

3.0 <u>Implications/Consultations</u>

3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper** 'A'.

Background Papers

None.

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