



LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982

LICENSING OF SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with Schedule 3 to the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, as amended by Section 27 of the Policing and Crime Act 2009, that Stafford Borough Council resolved on 24th February 2011 to adopt the amended provisions insofar as they relate to the regulation of sexual entertainment venues.

The general effect of the new provisions is that sexual entertainment venues, including premises such as lap dancing clubs and similar establishments, will require a sex establishment's licence in order to operate from premises within Stafford Borough.

The new provisions come into force on 1st April 2011 (the 'first appointed day') and, from that date; existing licensees of premises providing relevant entertainment can apply for a sexual entertainment venue licence (SEV).

All applications received by 30th September 2011 will be considered together after that time.

Between 1st October 2011 (the 'second appointed day') and 31st March 2012 'new' applications can be made prior to the legislation coming fully into force on 1st April 2012 (the 'third appointed day').

These new provisions allow all local people the opportunity to participate in the licensing process regardless of where they work or live and permits the Council to refuse licences on a number of grounds which are wider than, and different from those permitted under the Licensing Act 2003.

An application for a sexual entertainment venue licence may be made at any time from 1st April 2011 onwards. Applications will only be accepted on the Council's prescribed form, which will be available from Licensing, Civic Centre, Riverside, Stafford, ST16 3AQ

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