

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET MEMBER SIGNING  
THURSDAY, 17 DECEMBER 2009**

Present: Councillor Nilgun Canver (Cabinet Member for Enforcement and Safer Communities)

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY															
1.	<p><b>FEE SETTING FOR VARIOUS ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AND LICENCES</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 3)</p> <p>It was noted that the European Union (EU) Services Directive would become law in the United Kingdom on 28 December 2009 and aimed to open up the internal market for services by making it easier to find information, apply, be evaluated, and pay for certain types of licences, all electronically. The Council had a number of processes which had no fee attached and for which it would not be compliant as this would prohibit an application being made. The affected application processes were sex establishment, zoo licences, riding establishments and hypnosis licence.</p> <p>It was also noted that the report sought to set fees for licences for the current financial year only so that the Council could comply with the EU Services Directive. None of the licences covered by the report were currently granted or applied for and the fees recommended complied with national guidance available. There were not expected to be any direct budget implications as it was unlikely that any requests for licences with respect to these areas would be made.</p> <p>Having regard to the guidance issued by the Local Authority Co-ordinating body for Regulatory Services (LACORS) to help Councils ensure that the fees set at a local level and charged to businesses met the requirements of the Services Directive it was</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That approval be granted to the following fees for 2009/10 -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="316 1503 1299 1872"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Sex Establishment</th> <th>Zoo Licences</th> <th>Hypnosis Licence</th> <th>Riding Establishment</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Application fee</td> <td>£2,500</td> <td>£750*</td> <td>£100</td> <td>£200</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Renewal fee</td> <td>£1,800</td> <td>£750*</td> <td>£100</td> <td>£160</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>* In addition the full costs of any veterinary fees incurred would be recovered</p> <p><b>Zoo Licence</b></p> <p>A Zoo licence runs for a four-year initial period from date of issue and six years thereafter. A fee of £750 reflects the cost of visits that</p>		Sex Establishment	Zoo Licences	Hypnosis Licence	Riding Establishment	Application fee	£2,500	£750*	£100	£200	Renewal fee	£1,800	£750*	£100	£160	DUE
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will be required from the Veterinary Surgeon. Where additional veterinary costs are incurred these would also be recovered.

**Sex Establishments**

Sex establishments must be licensed under the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, as amended by the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1986. The definition of sex establishment includes:

- Sex cinemas, at which R18-certificate films are to be shown.
- Sex shops, which are premises, vehicles or stalls used for selling, displaying or demonstrating sex articles (which may include R18-certificate videos and DVDs) or other things used in connection with sexual activity or acts of force or restraint associated therewith.
- Sex encounter establishments, which are premises at which performances, services; or entertainments are carried on, which are not unlawful but are concerned with sexual stimulation or exposure of genitalia (and which do not constitute sexual activity).

**Riding Establishments**

A riding establishment is "the carrying on of a business of keeping horses to let them out for hire for riding or riding instruction". Licences to keep a riding establishment are issued under the Riding Establishments Acts 1964 and 1970. A riding establishment licence runs for a 12-month period, renewable each year from 1 January.

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