

**CULTURE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY PANEL
FINAL REPORT**

SELECTIVE LANDLORD LICENSING - ACTION PLAN (Approved by Executive, 2 October 2018)

SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	PROPOSED ACTION- 2 October 2018	UPDATE- September 2021
<p>1. The Panel are passionate and extremely complimentary of the Selective Licensing model in North Ormesby. The Panel recommends that the next roll-out of the scheme mirrors this model to ensure its success.</p>	<p>To be incorporated into any future plans for rolling out to other areas</p> <p>A report has been produced for executive approval proposing the roll out to Newport ward in April 2019</p>	<p>The scheme has now been rolled out to part of Newport ward (June 2019) and the area of North Ormesby has been re-designated for a further 5 years from June 2021.</p>
<p>2. That the Panel be updated on a six monthly basis on the scheme, and informed once a decision is made on the next area for Selective Licensing.</p>	<p>To take an update report to Scrutiny, detailing the roll out to the next area.</p>	<p>Didn't happen due to Covid.</p>
<p>3. That a 'step by step' guide on Selective Licensing be developed in conjunction with the Ward Councillor(s), tenants, landlords and community of North Ormesby. This should include practical information, timescales of Selective Licensing and benefits of the scheme. Once produced, this should be shared with new licensees/ tenants, the BIG Local, North Ormesby Community Council and included on Middlesbrough Council's website and displayed within</p>	<p>To be developed by the SLL team</p>	<p>This is in way of a proposal document which is completed as part of the consultation for each scheme, which is then shared with landlords, managing agents, businesses and residents in the designated area. Copy attached.</p>

North Ormesby Community Hub.		
<p>4. That the Panel receives a full evaluation of the scheme towards the end of 2020. Dependant on the outcome and need, the Panel recommends that the Council reapplies for North Ormesby to be designated for a second time. The Panel is aware that it is difficult to comment at this stage until a full evaluation has been completed. If North Ormesby does not fit the criteria set out by the Housing Act 2004 for re-designation, the Panel would like to be consulted regarding the exit strategy and future plans for North Ormesby.</p>	<p>To produce evaluation report to Scrutiny</p> <p>To produce a report to Executive outlining options based on current financial landscape and the SLL scheme with recommendations for consideration</p>	<p>This has been produced as part of the North Ormesby Re-designation consultation. Copy attached</p>
<p>5. That a standard set of license conditions be developed by the Selective License Forum and adopted and utilised in the second roll out (with provision to include additional conditions to fit the demand and problems within a specific area.)</p>	<p>There is already a standard set of mandatory licence conditions set out by the Housing Act with additional conditions which the Council has produced.</p> <p>To share license conditions with Scrutiny</p>	<p>Licence conditions already set these now include the condition that all new tenants must be referenced through the MBC free referencing service. Copy attached.</p>
<p>6. That a voluntary accreditation scheme be developed for Middlesbrough Landlords. This would be rolled-out town-wide.</p>	<p>This would have significant financial requirements</p> <p>The SLL Team are funded to administer the SLL area ONLY as per the legal framework for introducing</p>	<p>A similar scheme was tried in Stockton and Selective Licensing was put on hold. An example of a non-mandatory scheme is the Stockton Pluss model which is run by landlords. Stockton Council figures</p>

	<p>the scheme therefore a new team would need to be created and funded from core budgets to implement a voluntary scheme.</p> <p>There is currently no budget to deliver this at this time</p>	<p>show that they had 80 members for this scheme with 539 properties and not all landlords who opposed their SLL scheme joined the accredited scheme.</p>
<p>7. That the services offered by the Public Protection Team in relation to Regulation of Housing Standards and Enforcement be publicised in the Love Middlesbrough Magazine.</p>	<p>To be publicised in the Love Middlesbrough magazine</p>	<p>This has happened and will be ongoing.</p>
<p>8. That during the second roll-out of Selective Licensing, funding be allocated from existing resources to employ additional staff (as required) to carry out inspections.</p>	<p>A financial analysis has demonstrated that the next roll out to Newport can be achieved within existing budgets and the income received from license fees.</p>	<p>As previous</p>
<p>9. That the Panel be updated in six months' time in relation to community safety.</p>	<p>To update Scrutiny</p>	<p>LK to attend September's scrutiny meeting in regard to SLL. Dale Metcalfe is the Community Safety Manager and would be best placed to give a community safety update.</p>