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## HMO LICENSING

Using the licensing fee structure effectively

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## Fee Structure

- 2006 Introduced at £500 (incentive to comply)
- 2010 Revised to £800 to reflect costs of investigation
- 2011/12 Raised to £1,150 to fully reflect cost of delivery
- 2013 Revised discount structure introduced



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## The Birmingham Context

- Population Markets and Growth
- Governance
- Financial pressure
- Housing Pressures



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### The Birmingham Context

Private rented sector (growth)

PRS markets

HMO sector



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### The Birmingham Context ~ Engagement

Homestamp

Midland Landlord Accreditation Scheme (MLAS)

Landlord Steering Group

Landlord Forum



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### HMO mandatory scheme Licence Fees

- A first application for a licence **£1150**
- For the renewal of an existing licence made *before the current licence expires* **£850**
- Where an application for the renewal of an existing licence is made *after the expiry of the current licence* **£1150**



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### HMO Licence Fee Discounts

For each application if the proposed licence holder is a member of :

- **Midland Landlord Accreditation Scheme (MLAS) £300**
- **National Landlord's Association or Residential Landlord's Association £150**
- *NB Both discounts may be claimed.*

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### Duration of the licence

- A licence application made following a request or investigation by the council \* **1 year**
- Where a licence application should have been made previously \* **1 year**
- Where there is evidence of poor management **1 year**
- Any other application **5 years**

\* *No discounts will apply*

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### Additional Charges

- For the submission of an incomplete application £100

*(If additional information is required, the application will not be processed until the additional charge is received)*

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**CHALLENGES**

**Restructured (twice)**

**Resources**

**New political leaders**

**New structure**

**Finance**



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**OUTCOMES**

**Refunds**

**Recognition**

**Enforcement**

**Compliance**



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