

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2013**

**REPORT OF HEAD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

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**1. NEW SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT 2013**

1.1 Issue for Decision

1.1.1 To consider and set the remaining fee levels in respect of Scrap Metal Licensing.

1.2 Recommendation of Head of Housing and Community Services

1.2.1 Agree the fees as set out in the body of the report at 1.3.2, on the basis outlined at Appendix B.

1.3 Reasons for Recommendation

1.3.1 At the Committee meeting on 7 October 2013 the following fees were agreed under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013. As they were felt to be the most relevant before any applications were submitted in advance of the 15, October 2013 transitional applications deadline.

Site Licence – Grant (3 years) £480.00  
Renewal (3 years) £410.00  
Collectors Licence Grant/Renewal (3 years) £320.00

1.3.2 However there are some further fees to be set and calculations relating to these have been attached as Appendix B. In setting these fees regard has been given to the guidance issued by the Secretary of State, the proposed fees have been calculated using that Guidance (Appendix A) and are as follows;

Variations – Collector to Site Licence (3 years) £225.00  
Site to Collectors Licence (3 years) £130.00

Change of Site Manager £175.00

Minor administrative change £31.00

1.3 Alternative Action and why not Recommended

1.4.1 The introduction of new legislation replaced the previous legislation governing Scrap Metal and as such there is no alternative action.

1.5 Impact on Corporate Objectives

1.5.1 None

1.6 Risk Management

1.6.1 The legislation has been introduced in order to properly regulate the industry. It is considered that the reform of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act will improve the impact on metal theft affecting national transport infrastructure, electricity, telecommunication links and street furniture etc.

1.6.2 Other Implications

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- 1. Financial
- 2. Staffing
- 3. Legal
- 4. Equality Impact Needs Assessment
- 5. Environmental/Sustainable Development
- 6. Community Safety
- 7. Human Rights Act
- 8. Procurement
- 9. Asset Management


1.7 Relevant Documents

1.7.1 Appendices

- A - Fees Guidance
- B - Fees

1.7.2 Background Documents

None