

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

LATE NIGHT LEVY

DECISION NOTICE TO INTRODUCE A LATE NIGHT LEVY IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, Chapter 2 of Part 2 The Late Night Levy (Application and Administration) Regulations 2012 The Late Night Levy (Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions) Regulations 2012

London Borough of Tower Hamlets has decided to introduce within the borough a requirement that holders of premises licences or club premises certificates that authorise the sale/supply of alcohol (on/off sales) at any time between **midnight and 6am** on one or more days in a year shall pay a late night levy.

A Summary of the Introduction and Application of the levy is below:

1. The amount of the levy is set by the UK Government and is a yearly amount between £299 and £4,440 depending on the rateable value of the premises and their actual use.
2. The Council has decided that the levy will be introduced on the **1st January 2018**.
3. The Council has decided that the late night supply period will begin at **midnight and end at 6 am (00:00 hours and end at 06:00 hours)** every day. Only premises which are authorised to sell/supply alcohol (on/off sales) during this time will be subject to the levy.
4. The Council has decided to exempt the following permitted categories of premises from paying the levy as defined in the Late Night Levy (Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions) Regulations 2012
 - a) Premises with overnight accommodation (this exemption does not apply to any premises which serve alcohol to members of the public who are not staying overnight at the premises)
 - b) Theatres and cinemas,
 - c) Bingo Halls,
 - d) Community Amateur Sports Clubs,
 - e) Community premises,
 - f) New Year's Eve premises only (*this applies to premises which are authorised to sell alcohol between midnight and 6am, and applies ONLY on New Year's Day*).
5. The Council has decided that a reduction of 30% will be granted to premises that achieved accreditation in Best Bar None (BBN) Scheme, which is a business led best practice scheme as defined in regulations 5 (1) (a) and 5 (4) of the above Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions Regulations.
6. The Council has decided **NOT** to grant an exemption for Country Village Pubs, or Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) as defined in sections 4(g) and 4 (h) of the Late Night Levy (Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions) Regulations; or to grant a reduction of the Levy for premises subject to small business rates relief as defined in regulation 5(1) (b) of the Regulations.
7. The Council has an agreement with the Deputy Mayor's Office of Policing and Crime (MOPAC) that the allocation of the revenue from the Late Night Levy (this includes their statutory 70% split of the revenue), will be managed through the current Community Safety Partnership arrangements within the borough.
8. Holders of relevant late night authorisations may make an application to vary their authorisation under sections 41A or 86A (minor variation) of the Licensing Act. There will be no fee for such valid application provided it is received by the Council no later than 18th December 2017 and not before 25th September 2017. This applies only for a reduction of the authorised hours for sale/supply of alcohol so they do not fall within the designated late night supply period (00:00hour to 06:00 hours).

More information about the decision is contained on the Council's website at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/licensing or you can write to us at the address below:

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