

Glasgow City Council

Licensing and Regulatory Committee

Item 4

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Report by Director of Legal and Administration

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HOUSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006 REQUEST FOR HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (HMO) TEMPORARY EXEMPTION ORDER

EXEMPTION ORDER
Purpose of Report:
To advise Members of a request for a HMO temporary exemption order to be granted.
Recommendations:
Members are asked to consider, in view of the background information and having given the applicant an opportunity to be heard, whether to grant or refuse the HMO temporary exemption order.
Ward No(s): Citywide:
Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

1 Background

- 1.1 The licensing and regulation of houses in multiple occupation is governed by the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 ("2006 Act"). All HMOs, unless an exemption applies under the 2006 Act, require to be licensed.
- 1.2 Under section 142 of the 2006 Act a local authority may, on the application of the owner of any HMO which requires to be licensed but which is not so licensed, grant a temporary exemption order in respect of the HMO. Such an application must specify the steps which the owner of the HMO intends to take with a view to securing that it stops being an HMO which requires to be licensed. The local authority may grant a temporary exemption order only if satisfied that the steps specified in the application will have the intended effect.
- 1.3 On 16 October 2025 a request for a HMO temporary exemption order was submitted to the Licensing Section. This request is provided within the Committee's papers.

2 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial: None

Legal: Under section 142 of the 2006 Act a local

authority may grant a temporary

exemption order.

Personnel: None

Procurement: None

Council Strategic Plan: None

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

> Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25.

N/A

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

No significant impact

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage.

N/A

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify: N/A

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

N/A

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?

N/A

Privacy and Data Protection impacts:

Are there any potential data protection impacts as a result of this report

If Yes, please confirm that a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) has been carried out No. The report discloses personal data on the applicant. Subject to relevant assessment, the Licensing Authority considers, on balance, that disclosure of the data is justified against current UK data protection law and the legal basis for disclosing such data is Performance of a Task Carried Out in the Public Interest.

3 Recommendations

3.1 Members are asked to consider, in view of the background information and having given the applicant an opportunity to be heard, whether to grant or refuse the HMO temporary exemption order.