

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
THE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL  
HOUSING ACT 2004 SECTION 60**

**REVOCAION OF DESIGNATION OF AN AREA FOR ADDITIONAL  
LICENSING 2022**

1. THE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SANDWELL (“the Council”) HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Council, being the Local Housing Authority, in exercise of its powers under Section 60 of the Housing Act 2004 (“The Act“) has revoked the designation in respect of “The Metropolitan Borough Council of Sandwell Designation for an Area for Additional Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation 2022”.
2. The revocation will be effective from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024.
3. The 2022 Designation has been revoked due to the implementation of a borough wide additional licensing scheme.
4. The revocation applies to all HMOs, as defined by section 254 Housing Act 2004, which are occupied by 3 or more persons comprising 2 or more households (irrespective of the number of storeys within the HMO). This includes single storey flats and two, three or more storey properties as well as s257 flats (converted flats meeting the test under s257 of the Act) licensed under the 2022 scheme.
5. This notice is published in accordance with Section 56 to 60 of the Act and Regulation 10 of the Licensing and Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation and Other Houses (Misc. Provisions) (England) Regulations 2006.
6. A copy of the revocation may be inspected at: Sandwell Council House, Private Rented Sector and Housing Standards Team, Freeth Street, Oldbury, B69 3DE. Members of the public can be emailed copies of the revocation upon request. Copies are also displayed on the Council’s website.

The Private Rented Sector and Housing Standards Team can be contacted via:

Email: [landlord\\_licensing@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:landlord_licensing@sandwell.gov.uk)

Telephone: 0121 368 1177 (option 2)

Website:

[https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200223/housing/4777/additional\\_licensing](https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200223/housing/4777/additional_licensing)

7. A person having control of or managing a prescribed HMO must apply to Sandwell for a licence. Failure to apply for a licence is an offence under s72(1) of the Act. Furthermore, no s21 notice may be given in relation to a shorthold tenancy of a part of an unlicensed HMO so long as it remains such an HMO.

8. Any landlord, person managing, or tenant in the area of the district of Metropolitan Borough Council of Sandwell should seek advice from the Council on whether their property is affected by this revocation.

Dated: 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Lunt', written in a cursive style.

**Alan Lunt - Executive Director - Place**