Moray Council is consulting on proposals to raise licence fees for specific licence types. As a licence holder, it's important that you have a say in this process, so we're posting information online and holding events where you can ask questions about the proposed changes and tell us your views.

## **Proposals**

We process over 1,200 licences per year and for the last few years our licensing function has been operating at a loss. This means we spend more money on the licensing system than we receive in income from fees.

The proposed rise in licence fees will mean that, going forward we'll be looking to recover our costs for processing and granting licence fees. We won't be making a profit; we'll simply be covering our costs.

There have been a lot of changes in licensing over the last few years, which has added to the processing requirements and costs. You can read in more detail about these, why we're having to propose fee increases, and how they've been calculated, in the attached information leaflet and also on our website: www.moray.gov.uk/licencefees

The licensing Committee is also responsible for setting taxi fares. Whilst consulting on revised fees the Licensing Committee will also consider the matter of taxi fares.

If you're joining us at one of the events, we recommend you read all this beforehand.

## **Feedback**

You can give us your feedback:

- By email to licencefees@moray.gov.uk
- in person at one of the events
- in writing to Head of Legal and Democratic Services, Council Offices, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

## **Events**

We're holding five sessions which will focus on the review of licence fees and you can come along to whichever one suits you the best. Sorry, but we can't discuss individual cases at these meetings.

Details of the events are included on the back.

Meeting		Date	Venue	Start Time	Finish Time
1	Taxi /PH Licence Holders	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Forres Town Hall	1pm	1:30pm
1	Other Licence Holders	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Forres Town Hall	1:30pm	2pm
2	Taxi /PH Licence Holders	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Keith Longmore Hall	5:30pm	6pm
2	Other Licence Holders	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Keith Longmore Hall	6pm	6:30pm
3	Taxi /PH Licence Holders	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Buckie Marriage Room	4:30pm	5pm
3	Other Licence Holders	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Buckie Marriage Room	5pm	5:30pm
4	Taxi /PH Licence Holders	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Lossiemouth Community Centre New Hall	6:30pm	7pm
4	Other Licence Holders	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Lossiemouth Community Centre New Hall	7pm	7:30pm
5	Taxi /PH Licence Holders	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Elgin Town Hall	1pm	1:30pm
5	Other Licence Holders	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Elgin Town Hall	1:30pm	2pm