



# Your thoughts on...

## Selective Licensing in the Leyland Road Area

Consultation period 9<sup>th</sup> August –24<sup>th</sup> October 2021

The Council are seeking your thoughts on proposals to continue selective licensing in parts of Leyland Road after the current designation ends in November 2021. It means that every house included in the new proposed designation area that is rented in that area must have a licence to operate.

Selective licensing focuses on improving the management of private rented properties and in doing so, helps improve the area.

### Selective licensing key facts

- Selective licensing aims to improve the area where you live/own property. It helps landlords improve how they manage properties.
- If you are a landlord, you will need to apply for a licence unless your property is exempt.
- Selective licensing runs for a maximum of 5 years.
- There is a fee for a licence which lasts up to 5 years.
- The council does not make a profit from selective licensing.

We are consulting with you as you are either:

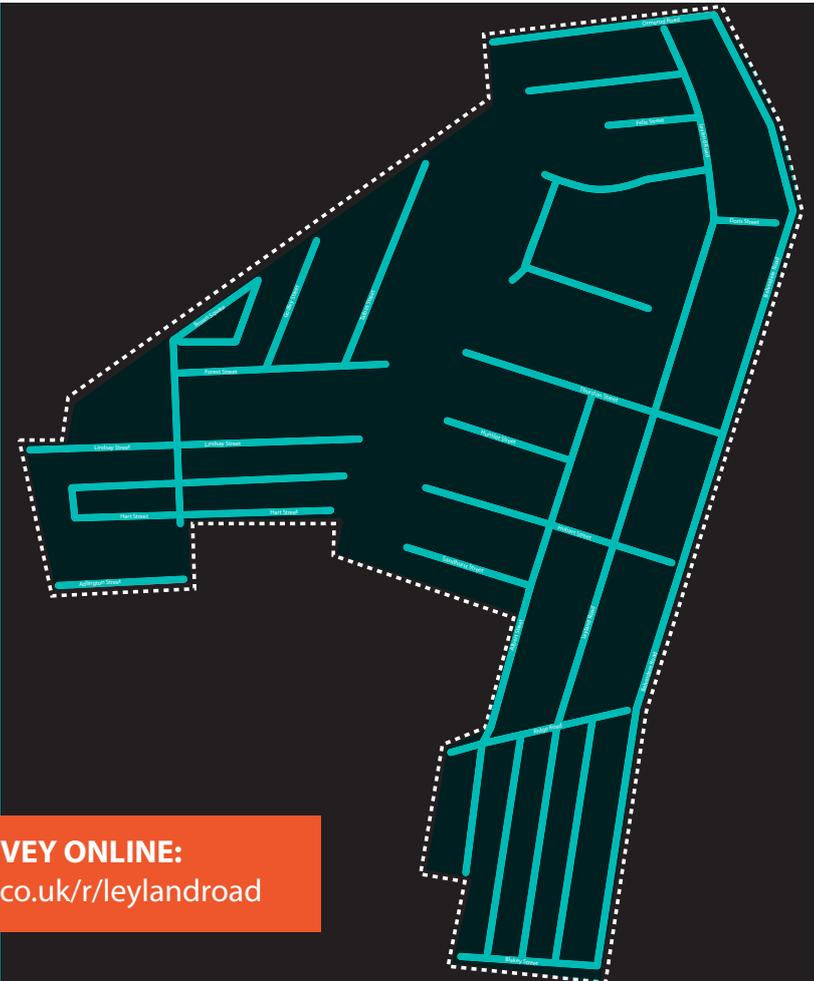
- A resident/business owner/landlord/managing agent or an organisation that provides services in the surrounding area near to the proposed selective licensing designation area or
- A resident/business owner/landlord/managing agent or an organisation that provides services within the proposed selective licensing area
- It is a criminal offence for a landlord to rent a property without a licence in a licensing area.
- We've seen reductions in empty homes, ASB and dirty back yards in the current licensing areas, and increased house prices.
- Rents have not gone up in the selective licensing area due to the cost of a licence.
- Good landlords will be able to access advice, support and training to help them manage their properties.

### Why the Leyland Road Area?

The housing market in the proposed selective licensing area started to show problems such as increasing empty homes, lower house prices, poor property conditions and higher social deprivation in the 1990's. Since November 2016 selective licensing has been helping to address these problems.

The selective licensing area is improving but when compared to other areas in the Borough the new proposed selective licensing area still shows signs of low housing demand that could be improved further. Evidence also suggests that a small area to the north of the current designation would benefit from selective licensing, and has therefore been included in the proposed boundary.

Burnley Council and its partners want to make Burnley better by improving the housing market, attracting people to come to live in Burnley and providing job opportunities. Selective licensing can help with this.



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