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## Houses in Multiple Occupation

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### Information Request and Response by Lewes District Council

*How much does your Local Authority charge private landlords for a Mandatory HMO Licence?*

**Please see link to our web page with the relevant information:**

<https://www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/housing/private-housing/houses-in-multiple-occupancy/>

*How does your Local Authority calculate the licence fee for Mandatory HMOs?*

**Please see above link**

*How many mandatory licensable HMOs does your Local Authority estimate to be in your area?*

**11 are licensed; it is estimated there are 5 more in our area**

*What percentage of these do you estimate have been licensed or have an application pending?*

**64%**

*If you operate an Additional Licensing scheme, how many additional licensable HMOs does your Local Authority estimate to be in your area?*

**No Scheme**

*What percentage of these do you estimate have been licensed or have an application pending?* **Not applicable**

*How has your Local Authority estimated the number of its mandatory licensable HMO housing stock?*

**Local knowledge, advertising, communication with letting agents, universities, housing benefit records and electoral roll**

*How long on average does it take to process a HMO licence from date of application to date of final licence grant?*

**Variable depending on what is missing from initial application but approximately three months**

*Does your Local Authority inspect all HMOs before granting a licence? If not, what percentage do you inspect prior to granting a licence?*

**Yes**

*Do you have a target turnaround for processing a HMO licence application? If so, what is it and what percentage of licences are processed within the target?*

**No**