

Written Questions from the Public

Question from Dermot McKibbin

What is the current position of the Council regarding the licensing of all HMOs in the Borough and will the Council consult the public on this issue?

Response:

Currently there is no legal requirement to license all houses of multiple occupation (HMOs) within Bromley. There is a national mandatory HMO licensing scheme which applies to HMOs with five or more persons. The Local Authority can, voluntarily and based on statistical justification, expand landlord licensing to smaller HMOs.

In line with the Housing Strategy 2019-2029 commitments, there will be an assessment to ascertain if there is a need to expand landlord licensing and, if so, options for how to do this will be prepared.