

# KAMMA

## Property licensing update

February 2024

The latest schemes and  
property licensing news



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# How will council strain affect property licensing in 2024?

Despite a 7.5% budget increase on cash terms for councils compared to 2023, the Local Government Association reports that **councils face a £4bn funding gap** in 2024/2025

A £4bn gap in funding for local councils will inevitably lead to...



Less funding allocated to reducing anti-social behaviour and improving housing standards in the PRS

8

current consultations for implementing new selective/ additional licensing measures

Source: Kamma



Higher Incentive for councils to implement expensive additional and selective licensing measures

Councils have seen an average increase of

10.2%

in their licensing fees since August 2023

Source: Kamma Council Sweep , February 2024



Bigger fines and stronger consequences for non-compliant landlords and agents

16%

increase in fines across last year alongside increased council strain

Source: Kamma Sweep | [Rogue Landlord Database](#)



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# Upcoming schemes and consultations

6 new licensing schemes have launched so far this year

There are 8 confirmed future schemes and 8 active consultations

## Starting this month:

### Luton

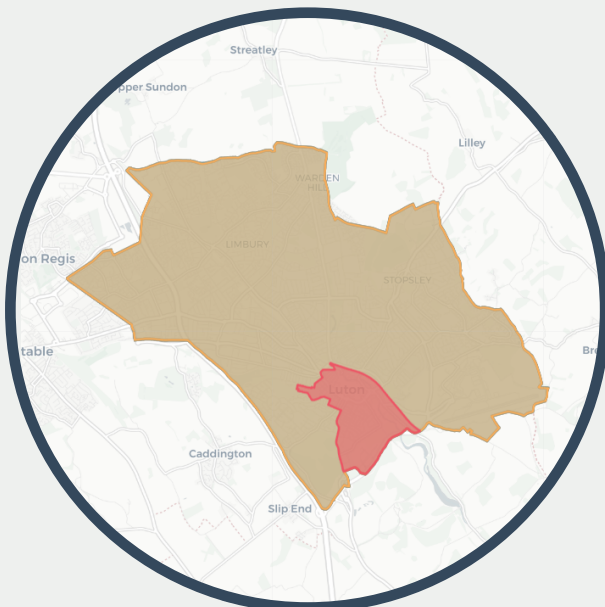
What type of licensing?

**Additional & Selective**

When will the scheme run?

**5th February 2024 - 4th February 2029**

## Luton Scheme map :



Additional

Selective

Source: Kamma | Leaflet | OSM | Carto

## Schemes set to start soon:

### Peterborough

What type of licensing?

**Selective**

When will the scheme run?

**11th March 2024 - 10th March 2029**

### Tower Hamlets

What type of licensing?

**Additional**

When will the scheme run?

**1st April 2024 - 31st March 2029**

## Have your say - consultations ending soon:

### Haringey

**Additional consultation**

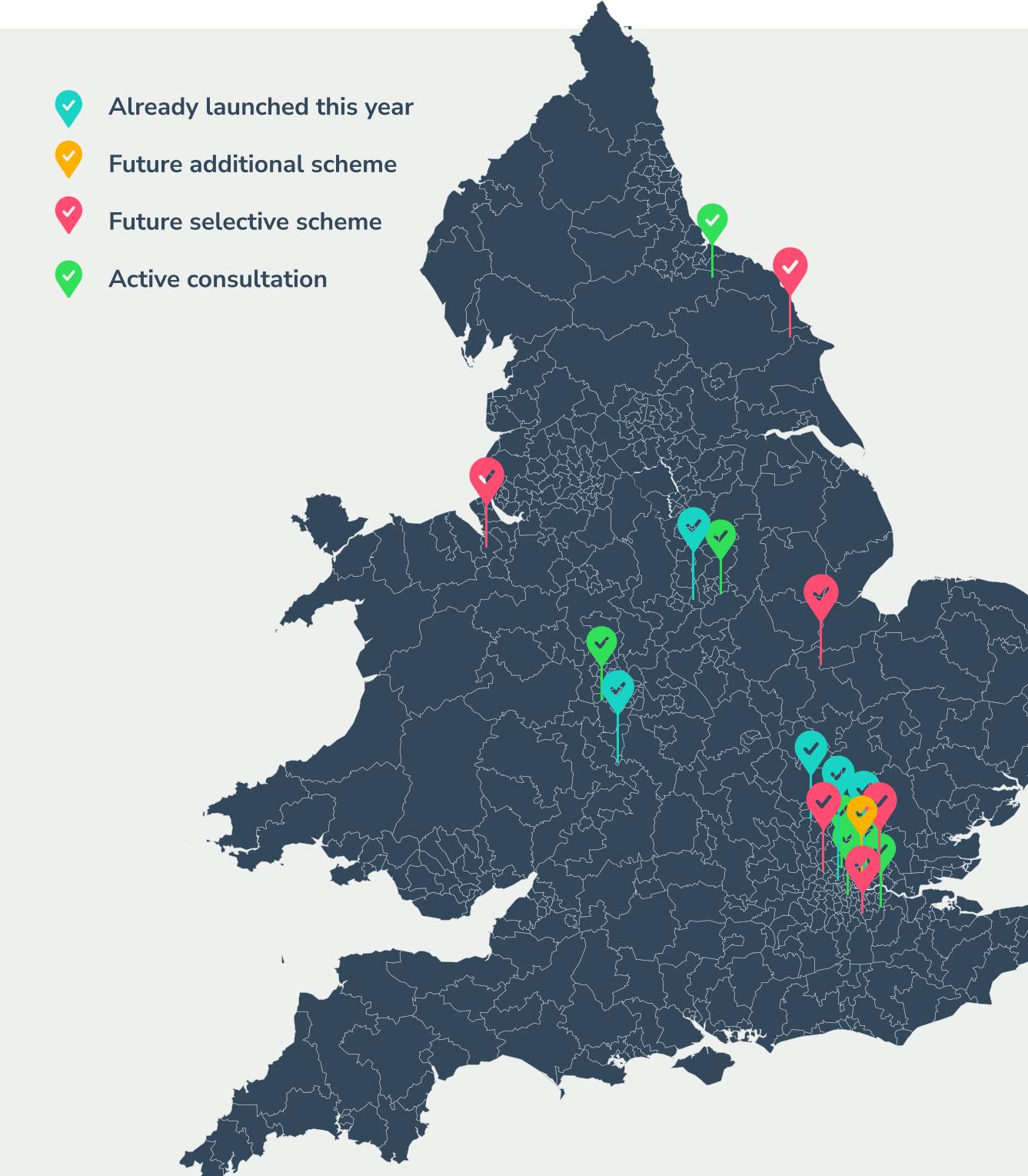
ending on **12th February**

### Lambeth

**Selective consultation**

ending on **4th March**

# 2024 Schemes and consultations map:



## Schemes starting in the coming months:

Peterborough Tower Hamlets Wirral Brent Redbridge Lewisham



# January's Top Rogue Landlord Stories

## Newham Council secures first banning order for rogue landlord and £10,000 fine

A Newham landlord faces the council's first banning order conviction for seven offences under the Housing Act 2004.

The landlord failed to licence a property used as a HMO and breached six HMO Management Regulations, resulting in a £10,000 fine and legal costs to the Council.

## £10,451 fine issued to Watford landlord for hazardous property conditions

A landlord was fined £10,451 by Watford Council for failing to remove dangerous mould from a children's bedroom.

Despite an improvement notice and an emergency prohibition order from the council, the landlord in question did not perform the required repairs.

## Bath landlord pays over £10,000 for unauthorised building alterations

The owner of Midford Castle in Bath, was made to pay over £10,000 for unauthorised alterations to Grade II\* Listed buildings, including the Coach House, Chapel, and Greenhouse.

[See the full monthly round up here](#)

# What does property licensing have in store for 2024?

Kamma CEO Orla Shields made a guest appearance on Goodlord's newsAgent podcast last month to talk all things property licensing in 2024



In the podcast, Orla speaks about the growing trend of enforcement and new schemes in 2024, and how agents and landlords can stay vigilant in the face of the evolving landscape

In 2024 so far, five new licensing schemes have been introduced in Greenwich, Nottingham, Islington, Warwick, and Luton, with London leading in active consultations for additional measures in Haringey, Lambeth, Waltham Forest, and Bexley.

Luton recently launched both additional and selective licensing schemes. Meanwhile, fourteen existing schemes are due to expire, with renewals anticipated ahead of the Renter's Reform Bill, which may impact selective licensing.

Newham Council's first banning order against a landlord for an unlicensed property highlights the increasing enforcement against non-compliance amidst these new developments.

[Listen to the full podcast here](#)



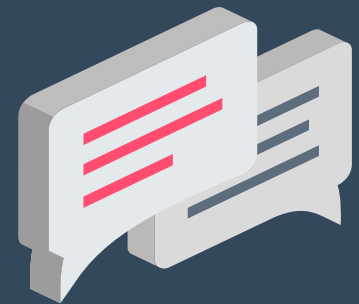
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