

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## Notice of Designation of the Area for Selective Landlord Licensing

Notice is given under Section 83(2) of the Housing Act 2004 ("the Act") that Middlesbrough Council, as the local housing authority, has designated for selective licensing the area of Newport Ward Middlesbrough in accordance with Section 80 of the Act.

The Designation was not required to be confirmed as it falls within a description of designations to which the Secretary of State has given general approval under The Housing Act 2004, Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation and Selective Licensing of Other Residential Accommodation (England) General Approval 2015.

The Designation was made on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 and shall come into force on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024.

The Designation applies generally to residential property, which is occupied under a tenancy or licence in the Designated area, which is not a licensable house in multiple occupation.

The Designation has been posted inside the Newport Settlement Community Hub, 2 Saint Paul's Road, Middlesbrough TS1 5NQ, telephone number 01642 802892, if any person wishes to inspect its contents or an electronic copy can be sent upon request by emailing <a href="mailto:SelectiveLandlordLicensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk">SelectiveLandlordLicensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk</a>.

General advice may be obtained from Selective Landlord Licensing, telephone number 01642 728100, email SelectiveLandlordLicensing@middlesbrough.gov.uk.

Any landlord, person managing a property or tenant within the Designated area may seek advice on whether their property is affected by the Designation from Selective Landlord Licensing at the above address, telephone number and email.

Upon the Designation coming into force on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024, any person who operates a licensable property without a licence is liable on summary conviction to an unlimited fine or may have a financial penalty imposed upon them by the Council and be required to repay up to twelve months rent if ordered to do so by HM Courts and Tribunal Service. Such a person may also be unable to serve a Section 21 Notice, Housing Act 1988 to terminate or recover possession of a property.