

Key changes and important similarities between Pavement Licences and existing Tables & Chairs Licences

Pavement Licences will run alongside the existing tables and chairs consent process.

PAVEMENT LICENCES (Business and Planning 2020 (Pavement Licence) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2021) <u>30 Sept 2021 to 30 Sept 2022</u>	PART VIIa TABLES & CHAIRS CONSENT (Highways Act 1980) <u>Existing / Ongoing Provision</u>
7 day consultation period.	28 day consultation period.
7 days to reach a decision.	14 days to reach a decision.
Flexibility in duration. A minimum of 3 months in the Act, but SCC local agreement to grant all licences until the 30 th September 2022	Can be any length but have tended to be for a fixed 12-month period.
Reduction in application fee (£100).	Previously cost £380 new and £148 for a renewal. This has been accordingly reduced to £100.
No consultation of frontagers needed.	Separate consultation of frontagers’ impacted by the application – e.g. upstairs’ properties, etc.
Must be advertised to allow for objections.	Previously relied on passing footfall to know an application had been made.
A 50% smoke free area to be provided – part of SCC’s local set of Conditions.	Designated smoking areas were not a feature of the conditions, but will be aligned.
SCC Licensing consultation – this team will assign greater focus on speedily assessing existing premises licences and / or advise whether modified or new licences may be required.	SCC Licencing consultation to continue, as before, over the longer duration.
Licensing changes mean premises can automatically be granted off-sales alcohol licences to use for customers sitting in any new tables and chairs areas.	An off-sales alcohol licence would need to be applied for to allow for any new areas for customers to drink in.
Highways enforcement – obstruction of the highway action taken by Balfour Beatty as required.	Highways enforcement – obstruction of the highway action taken by Balfour Beatty as required under contract.
Licensing enforcement – no extension of services to that already covered under the Licencing Act 2003.	Licensing enforcement – provision and resource available under the Licensing Act 2003.