



The British Shooting Sports Council

PRESS RELEASE

Home Office proposal to increase firearms licensing fees.

On the 27th November 2014 the Home Office announced plans to increase the cost of firearms licensing fees. A consultation will run from 27 November until 29 December and is available on the Government website at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/a-proposal-to-increase-firearms-licensing-fees-administered-by-the-police>

The British Shooting Sports Council led in negotiations undertaken prior to the publication of this consultation and strongly supports the acceptance of the fees proposed in Option 2.

David Penn, BSSC Secretary, said:

“The British Shooting Sports Council has been fully involved in negotiations concerning the Home Office’s proposed increase in firearms licensing fees. These fees fairly reflect inflation since the last increase in 2001 and take into account future savings to be derived from the pending ‘eCommerce’ computerised application system. It is suggested that fees for a variation and for a replacement certificate will actually be reduced. BSSC urges shooters to send a positive response in support of the fees proposed in Option 2. The strength of support counts, so responses must not be left to the shooting Associations alone.”

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UKPSA.