

Licensing Act 2003

The statistical return provided to the Home Office in April 2024 identified Test Valley had:

- 431 licensed premises (439)
- 35 Club Premises Certificates (36)
- 1997 Personal Licences (1887)

Of the Premises Licences permitting sale of alcohol:

- 182 were licensed for both on and off sales (192)
- 71 were for on sales only (75)
- 109 were for off sales only (116)

Four Licensing Sub Committees were held during 2023/24, two of which were Premises Licence reviews requested by the Police. At the hearing for the Rockhouse in Andover the Sub Committee added conditions and requested removal of the Designated Premises Supervisor. This decision has been appealed and will go before the Magistrates Court in July. There were no proactive inspections of alcohol licensed premises (compared to 83 in 2022/23).

Scrap Metal Dealers

- 6 Collector's Licences (10)
- 6 Site Licences (7)

The Council refused an application for a Collector's Licence and although the applicant initially indicated they would appeal that decision they did not file their appeal correctly with the Magistrates Court.

Gambling Act 2005

- 2 Adult Gaming Centres (both at Rownhams Motorway Service Area)
- 5 Betting offices

There has been no change in the number of licensed gambling premises in the last year.

Taxis

- 41 hackney carriages (43)
- 220 private hire vehicles (191)
- 285 licensed drivers (253)

The number of hackney carriages is restricted to 46 with three licences currently available for wheelchair accessible vehicles. One proactive taxi enforcement operation was undertaken in Andover on 6 December 2023 and a total of 24 vehicles stopped.

NB Figures in brackets after each entry are for 2022/23 and are included for comparison.