

*These notes refer to the Licensing Act 2003 (c.17)
which received Royal Assent on 10 July 2003*

LICENSING ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

PART 6: Personal Licences

Section 124 – Convictions coming to light after grant or renewal

204. This section applies where an applicant for the grant or renewal of a personal licence is convicted of a relevant offence in the period between the application being made and its determination but knowledge of the conviction emerges only after the licence has been granted or renewed. The licensing authority may revoke a personal licence, after consultation with the police.
205. The section requires the licensing authority to consult the police on becoming aware of such a conviction. The police will then have the opportunity to give the licensing authority notice that they object to the continuation of a licence where they believe that that would undermine the crime prevention objective. If the police object, a hearing must be held by the licensing authority (unless the licence holder, the police and the licensing authority agree that this is unnecessary). The licensing authority must give the reasons for its decision to the offender and to the police. A decision under this section does not have effect pending an appeal.