



Sexual Offences Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 42

PART 1

SEXUAL OFFENCES

Amendments relating to prostitution

55 Penalties for keeping a brothel used for prostitution

- (1) The Sexual Offences Act 1956 (c. 69) is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 33 insert—

“33A Keeping a brothel used for prostitution

- (1) It is an offence for a person to keep, or to manage, or act or assist in the management of, a brothel to which people resort for practices involving prostitution (whether or not also for other practices).
- (2) In this section “prostitution” has the meaning given by section 51(2) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003.”
- (3) In Schedule 2 (mode of prosecution, punishment etc.), after paragraph 33 insert (as a paragraph with no entry in the fourth column)—

“33A	Keeping a brothel used for prostitution (section 33A).	(i) on indictment	Seven years
		(ii) summarily	Six months, or the statutory maximum, or both.”