

ACOLAID FOR LICENSING

ACOLAID for Licensing provides local authorities with all the tools they need to manage the wide variety of licences they are required to administer and enforce.

The Licensing Act 2003 has been the most high profile aspect of local authority licensing in recent years but Premises and Personal licences are only two of numerous licences that local authorities administer and enforce. No matter what your needs are, from Acupuncture Licences to Zoo Licences, ACOLAID is flexible enough to manage any licensing process.

ACOLAID for Licensing consists of a number of forms that store the information required to administer the entire range of licences. The system's uniquely flexible approach allows the user to view only the information required for the type of licence they are currently dealing with.

ACOLAID can be configured to record checks for each type of licence and information, such as consultee details, can be preloaded where appropriate. This helps ensure that statutory information is collected and deadlines are enforced. The checks, along with the intuitive layout of the forms, help guide the user through the most complicated licensing processes.

The embedded GIS component of ACOLAID makes the process of consultation simple. Identifying consultees in the vicinity of a premises is as easy as drawing a polygon on a map. Addresses in this polygon can then be linked to the licence application and all correspondence to and from them monitored on an individual basis.

All documents are generated using ACOLAID's built in document creation functionality, from simple single page letters to complicated premises licences. All information stored in ACOLAID is available for use in documents, from contact details to licence conditions. Incoming correspondence can be scanned and stored against the licence application using ACOLLATE, Plantech's integrated document management system.

ACOLAID for Licensing is fully integrated with all other ACOLAID systems, meaning officers in authorities using ACOLAID for Planning, Environmental Health and Building Control are able to access relevant data from other departments with a few clicks on their mouse. Licensing officers can access planning decisions or information regarding noise complaints at a property without leaving their office, their desk, or even the application they currently have on screen. Similarly planners and environmental health officers can access details of licence conditions or make representations on an application.

Reading the ODPM's Implementing Electronic Government Statement, priority outcome G7 the "Use of technology to integrate planning, regulation and licensing functions in order to improve policy and decision-making processes around the prevention of anti-social behaviour", you might think someone had ACOLAID in mind.

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