Council tax Direct Debit and Ebilling local prize draw rules

The Promoter who is operating the competition is the Mayor and Burgesses of the London Borough of Islington, a local authority, whose principal office is the Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, London, N1 2UD.

1. There will be three prize draws throughout the financial year. At 3pm on the last Friday of the selected months, all Islington council tax accounts registered for Ebilling and/or making payments via Direct Debit will be allocated a prize draw number.

2. Within a week of the allocation of the prize draw numbers, the Head of Revenues, a member of an independent team and an independent senior manager will meet. Using dice, they will randomly generate five numbers from within the range of numbers allocated to council tax accounts registered for Ebilling and/or making payments via Direct Debit.

3. The first of these five numbers to refer to a council tax account that is not in arrears and is eligible will be that month’s winning council tax account.

4. Should it later be found that the winner is ineligible, or cannot be contacted, the second number will be considered the winner. This process to be repeated until a winner is identified.

5. The prize draws will be £1,000 in September and November and £3,000 in January of each year.

6. The prize draw is open to all Islington council tax payers who are registered for Ebilling and/or to pay their council tax by Direct Debit by 3pm on the last Friday of the selected months.

7. No other routes of entry are available.

8. The identity of the winner will be ascertained by the council using their council tax data. If there are joint holders of the account, there will be joint winners. Joint winners will be responsible for determining distribution of the prize.

9. The winner(s) will be notified by Islington Council by post using the address on their council tax account within 14 days of the prize draw.

10. The winner(s) has 28 days to contact the council to claim their prize. If they do not contact the council within this time, the second number will be considered the winner. The process to be repeated until a winner is identified.

11. The prize winner will be presented with their prize within 28 days of contacting the council, provided they can present suitable photographic evidence of their identity (e.g. valid passport or identity card).
12. The prize consists of a bank transfer directly into the bank account of the council tax account holder.

13. The prize is non-transferrable.

14. The personal data of all council tax payers will remain confidential and subject to the data protection laws.

15. Employees and members of the council and agency staff employed by the council will be ineligible to participate.

16. The council will not be liable in any way if an entrant enters the prize draw unlawfully.

17. These terms and conditions are governed by the laws of England and Wales.

18. The decision of the Promoter in respect of any and all aspects of the promotion will be final and binding. The Promoter will not enter into any correspondence in respect of the administration of the prize draw.