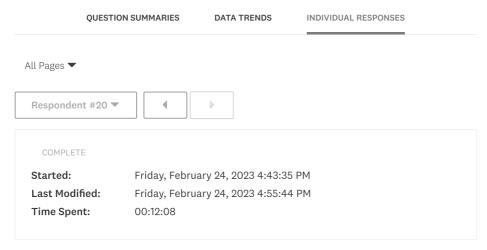
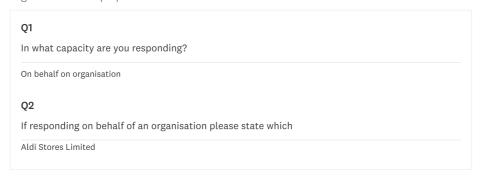


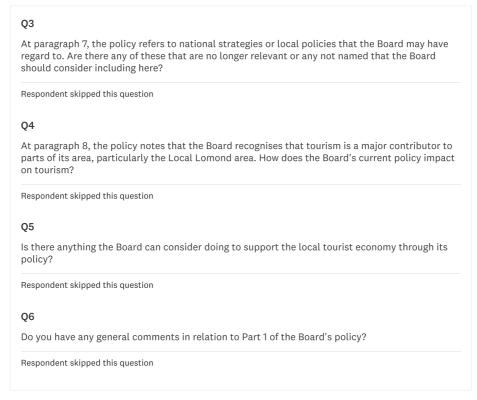
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To what extent do you agree that the Board's current policy promotes the licensing objectives?

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can the Board take any additional steps to help promote the licensing objectives?

Respondent skipped this question

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At paragraph 16.4, the policy sets out various recommendations around children and young persons' access. Do you think that these recommendations are sufficient to protect children and young persons from harm?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 5: Part 3: Licences

Q10

At paragraphs 18.2 to 18.4 the policy sets out the Board's approach to children and young persons' access to licensed premises, for example, the standard terminal hour for children and young persons' access and situations when children and young persons will be permitted on licensed premises.

Respondent skipped this question

Q11

At paragraph 18.6, the policy discusses the Board's approach to home deliveries of alcohol. Does this approach deal with with any issues that may arise in terms of the licensing objectives?

Respondent skipped this question

Q12

At paragraph 18.7 to 18.13, the policy describes how the Board will licence outside drinking. Is the approach in the policy sufficient to promote the licensing objectives of preventing public nuisance or any other licensing objective you think relevant?

Respondent skipped this question

Q13

Paragraph 20 sets out the Board's approach to occasional (i.e. temporary) licences. Is the Board's general approach to dealing with occasional licences fit for purpose?

Respondent skipped this question

Q14

Paragraph 21 deals with how the Board will process and determine extended hours certificate applications. Does the Board's approach promote the licensing objectives?

Respondent skipped this question

Q15

At paragraph 22 of the policy, the Board addresses those premises that are tenanted out and where the premises licence holder is the landlord. Do you have any comments on the Board's approach here?

Respondent skipped this question

Q16

In light of Unite's "Get me Home Safely campaign", the Board welcomes comments on how best the Board can support licence holders in making sure that workers in the late night economy get home safely.

Respondent skipped this question

Page 6: Part 4: Overprovision

Q17

Should the Board continue to include the current localities within its assessment on

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What impact, if any, do you think the Board's overprovision policy has had on any of these localities?

Respondent skipped this question

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Should the Board consider identifying any other localities as being overprovided for in terms of licensed premises, and if so, why?

Respondent skipped this question

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The Board considers there to be overprovision of the following types of licensed premises within 16 of the 18 localities that make up West Dunbartonshire: - public houses;- nightclubs; - off-sales and local convenience stores; and - supermarkets. Does this approach to overprovision continue to be appropriate?

No

Please let us know why you think this .:

We would question whether the statistical nature of assessing overprovision is still accurate. Consumer habits have changed significantly in recent years, as has access and availability to products, particularly through the increased availability of online shopping. Granting a licence for a new supermarket is unlikely to substantially increase the availability of alcohol to the residents in that area. Consideration must also be given to the wider benefits that supermarkets can bring to an area, including investment and job creation.

Q21

The Board's policy in relation to overprovision recognises the positive health benefits associated with increased employment opportunities. This may be a factor that the Board has regard to when determining an application in an area of overprovision. Does it remain appropriate for the Board to continue to have regard to these benefits?

Yes

Please let us know why you think this.:

Supermarkets bring jobs to the area, which also come with a range of other benefits and significant advancement opportunities. A well-paid job will be of real benefit not only to the employees but also their families.

Q22

Should the Board consider licensed hours when considering if there is an overprovision of licensed premises, or licensed premises of a particular description, in a locality?

Respondent skipped this question

Q23

Are there any other matters that the Board should consider when considering matters relating to overprovision?

Supermarkets bring a range of benefits to the local community. Better access to fresh produce and quality products at lower prices can significantly improve the lives of the residents within the catchment area. The creation of new supermarkets can also be the catalyst for investment in that area by other retailers and organisations, in many cases leading to regeneration. Whilst alcohol sales usually make up only a small proportion of sales, the ability to sell alcohol is vital to the commercial viability of a site and without that permission, retailers are likely to look at investing in other Local Authority areas where off-sales permissions can be obtained.

Page 7: Part 5: Licensed hours

Q24

The Board will generally consider 10am to 8pm as appropriate licensed hours for off-sales with the additional hours of 8pm to 10pm only given where the applicant can demonstrate suitable enhanced control measures are in place. Does this approach promote the licensing objectives?

Respondent skipped this question

Q25

In relation to premises offering no significant entertainment facilities, such as public houses, hotel bars, and members clubs, the Board considers a terminal hours of 12midnight on Sunday to Thursday and 1am on Friday and Saturday to be appropriate. Do you agree?



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appropriate. Do you agree?

Respondent skipped this question

Page 8: Additional comments

Q27

Do you have any other comments about the licensing policy that you want to make, for example, are there any areas of policy you would like us to look at as part of this exercise?

Respondent skipped this question

Q28

Do you have any other comments about the Board's policy?

Respondent skipped this question



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