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Licensing Policy Pre-Consultation

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Page 2: What is the purpose of this consultation?

Q1

In what capacity are you responding?

As a member of the public

Q2

If responding on behalf of an organisation please state which

Respondent skipped this question

Page 3: Part 1: Introduction

Q3

At paragraph 7, the policy refers to national strategies or local policies that the Board may have regard to. Are there any of these that are no longer relevant or any not named that the Board should consider including here?

Respondent skipped this question

Q4

At paragraph 8, the policy notes that the Board recognises that tourism is a major contributor to parts of its area, particularly the Local Lomond area. How does the Board's current policy impact on tourism?

Respondent skipped this question

Q5

Is there anything the Board can consider doing to support the local tourist economy through its policy?

Respondent skipped this question

Q6

Do you have any general comments in relation to Part 1 of the Board's policy?

I don't think that there is enough done to monitor disturbances caused by the general public who enter, use or leave the licensed establishments. In particular, when political issues are more prevalent, or certain football matches have been played, there is more chance of public disturbance. For example, in Old Kilpatrick the Lusset attracts football fans on match days when Rangers are playing. The sectarian chanting and singing can be heard long after the match has finished. Police Scotland rarely respond to community complaints and the landlord of this pub wash their hands of the culprits, as they are not on the premises, even though they are close by and causing nuisance and breaking the law. Not good for the locals or the tourists.

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

Slightly

Q8

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

Review awarding of licenses for football matches that have the potential for increasing public disorder.

Q9

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?

No

What are the reasons for your answer?:

What about education on the dangers of alcohol abuse, date rape etc. Can information be provided in pubs?

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.

Does this access promote the licensing objective of protecting children and young persons' from harm? No

Please let us know why this access either promotes or does not promote this licensing objective. :

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?

Yes

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?

Yes

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?

Yes

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?

Yes

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

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Page 6: Part 4: Overprovision

Q17

Should the Board continue to include the current localities within its assessment on overprovision? Please see the Board's policy at paragraph 23.9 for details of these localities.

No

What are the reasons for your answer?:

Some of these localities do not have local pubs, Faifley for example.

Q18

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

Respondent skipped this question

Q19

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

Old Kilpatrick has three pubs within a short distance of each other and 3 off licenses. The Glen Lusset creates the most public disturbance. The saltings is blighted at weekends by illegal drinkers during the better weather.

Q20

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.:

Some of the localities included are ludicrous.

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?

No

Please let us know why you think this.:

Because the negative impact on the local population needs to be considered.

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?

Yes

Please let us know why you think this.:

Events in the calendar will predict the level of public disturbance. Attention should be paid to these.

Q23

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

Respondent skipped this question

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?



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buy younger people more alcohol leading to increased vulnerability.

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?

No

Please let us know why you either support or oppose these policy hours.:

I do not support these hours. It leads to drinking alcohol for longer and pubs do not have the means to monitor people who have had enough.

Q26

In relation to premises offering significant entertainment facilities, such as nightclubs, the Board considers a terminal hour of 1am on Monday to Wednesday and 3am on Thursday to Sunday to be appropriate. Do you agree?

Yes

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?

I think there is an issue with off licence premises selling alcohol to minors via the general public , or family members. I would increase the penalties for premises which do this.

Q28

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

Respondent skipped this question

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