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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?

On behalf on organisation

Q2

If responding on behalf of an organisation please state which

Dunbartonshire Chamber of Commerce

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?

Important as highlighted for the Loch Lomond area but more flexibility / priority needed for the corridor towns such as Clydebank to allow new operators to set up.

Q5

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

As above more flexibility and more pro-active support for new opportunities/operators. Deprived areas such as Clydebank need more of the benefits fed in to stimulate economy and regeneration.

Q6

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

Only to reiterate importance for regeneration of successful venues to attract new visitors and cater for existing population to meet ambitions of "Clydebank Can" and Queen's Quay and Town. Similarly, Dumbarton would benefit from more reasons to visit, dwell and stay.

Page 4: Part 2: The licensing objectives

Q7

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Q8

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

Respondent skipped this question

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?

Yes

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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? Yes

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

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



No

What are the reasons for your answer?:

This is too prescriptive. To realise the ambitions of many of these areas in terms of regeneration there needs to be a more pragmatic approach to encourage new residents to choose the area as a location, potentially to set up businesses or work from home or to visit. Higher end, innovative venues can breath new life into an area as evidenced in many urban areas (Glasgow, Liverpool, Manchester) and attract new residents with higher levels of disposable income to the benefit of the local economy and to act as a catalyst. We are also heading for a recession with hospitality likely to bear the brunt of the cost-crisis so more needs to be done to attract new investment.

Q18

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

It may well have held back opportunities for responsible operators to come to invest in the area. Many of these have a proven track record of managing sensible drinking, creating sustainable jobs and building the night-time economy.

Q19

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

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.:

Broadly agree but categories are too wide. Again, higher end/innovative/responsible operators should be actively encouraged much as they are in areas of Glasgow where regeneration is a focus (gastro-pubs, speciality beer and artisan / locally produced)

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.:

As stated health benefits associated with employment opportunities and wealth building of our communities.

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.:

Again pragmatic approach. Retail hours could be restricted to encourage less consumption whilst supporting managed drinking in venues with related economic impact.

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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In relation to premises offering no significant entertainment facilities, such as pubs, hotels, 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?

Yes

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?

Respondent skipped this question

Q28

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

Respondent skipped this question

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