

### SCHEDULE OF RESPONSES TO THE DRAFT LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT 2008-2011

Respondent	Summary of Response	Comment
Punch Taverns	We have considered the proposed amendments and confirm that we have no comments to make	No change required
Worcestershire County Council	Clarification of contact details in respect of the Child Protection Function	Statement of Licensing Policy amended to show correct contact details
Bargain Booze Ltd	No observations to make in respect of draft policy	No change required
Wyre Forest District Council Regeneration and Economic Prosperity Manager	Licensed premises if balanced with other users can help to maintain the vitality and viability of town centres, neighbourhoods and rural communities and may have a positive role in assisting social/ community cohesion. Perhaps some of the potential benefits could be more clearly recognised in the Statement generally and the decision making process?	Guidance Notes under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 refer to these processes.  No change required

<p>Worcestershire Primary Care Trust</p>	<p>Section 3.1 contains four statutory objectives that must be considered. Could a non statutory objective centred around health be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To promote public health or minimize the harm to health.</li> </ul> <p>Section 9.4 lists options for sanctions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suspension of happy hour promotions – pubs could be asked to run drinks promotions for a minimum of 48 hours to make promotions uneconomic</li> <li>• Obligation to use hardened glass for drink receptacles</li> </ul>	<p>The Statement of Licensing Policy recognises the need to integrate with the needs of other agencies.</p> <p>No change required.</p> <p>These sanctions can be added to any premises licence under a review procedure.</p> <p>No change required</p>
<p>Wyre Forest Community Safety Partnership</p>	<p>We would like the Policy to express that the Council will provide clear ownership and leadership on licensing matters.</p> <p>The partnership would like to see clear commitments and acknowledgement of the impact of licensing issues on crime and disorder issues.</p> <p>We would like explicit reference made in relation to the Council's responsibilities under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998</p>	<p>Policy amended.</p> <p>The Council's aim is to facilitate well run and managed premises with licence holders displaying sensitivity to the impact of the premises on local residents. The objective of the licensing process is for a unified system of regulation of licensable activities so that such activities are carried out in a way that ensures public safety, but is not detrimental to residents and does not give rise to a loss of amenity.</p> <p>The Licensing Authority has a duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to do all it can to prevent crime and disorder in the</p>

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<p>West Mercia Constabulary Kidderminster</p>	<p>Paragraph 3.3 states that "licensing is not a primary mechanism for general control of nuisance once people are away from the premises.</p> <p>It is repeated at paragraph 7.6. Is this an Overstatement?</p> <p>Should a Designated Premises Supervisor not have responsibility for issues emanating from their premises?</p> <p>Paragraph 7.1 states unless there are relevant representations, the Licensing Authority must grant applications subject only to the conditions consistent with the applicants operating schedule, and to any mandatory conditions prescribed in the Licensing Act 2003.</p> <p>The Licensing Authority may have gathered information / intelligence that could influence their position on a particular premise. Can they/ would they not want to be able to negotiate changes to conditions?</p>	<p>Paragraph 3.3 deleted.</p> <p>No change required.</p> <p>The Licensing Act 2003 requires the importance of management competency.</p> <p>No change required.</p> <p>Conditions to Licences may only be changed by application to vary the Licence or upon Review of a Licence.</p>

	<p>Paragraph 8.2 states that “the licensing Authority will not generally restrict times when shops, stores, or supermarkets can sell alcohol for consumption off the premises but may do so if the Police consider individual premises to be a focus of disorder and disturbance.</p> <p>What about the views / objections of residents or the Local authority?</p> <p>It would be beneficial to have a proactive stance against a Designated Premises Supervisor who has mismanaged their premises to the detriment of the wider community. Recognising the lack of action possible under the legislation could the policy introduce some control in this area?</p> <p>Could the Policy statement include a paragraph to confirm that alcohol licensing is an enforcement issue for the Local Authority under the terms of the Rogers Review?</p>	<p>No change required.</p> <p>Residents and Responsible Authorities will be able to make their views known in the application process, or by application for a review of the Licence.</p> <p>No change required.</p> <p>Work continues with Partner Agencies to review the Enforcement / Service Agreements.</p> <p>No change required. This point is recognised at Paragraph 4.1/4.2 of the Policy Statement.</p>
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