

APPENDIX ONE

CONSULTATION QUESTION 1:

Do you think that the proposed processes for Early Morning Restriction Orders include sufficient consultation with those likely to be affected by an EMRO?

Yes

CONSULTATION QUESTION 2:

The government proposes that EMROs will not apply (i.e. will not restrict alcohol sales) between midnight on 31st December and 6am on 1st January of each year. Do you think that EMROs should apply on New Year's Eve?

No

CONSULTATION QUESTION 3:

Do you agree or disagree that the categories of premises above should be exempt from EMROs?

Disagree. Why only exempt those community premises that have disappplied the requirement for a designated premise supervisor (DPS). Why not also exempt those premises that are proposed to be exempt from the late night levy?

CONSULTATION QUESTION 4:

Do you have any other suggestions on the types of premises that should be considered for an exemption from EMROs?

Community premises with a DPS plus those other premises listed as possible exemptions from the late night levy.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 5:

Do you think that there should be an option for local residents/ community groups to recommend the implementation of the levy in their area?

No, any recommendations should be from bodies designated as responsible authorities under the Licensing Act 2003.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 6:

Do you agree or disagree that licensing authorities should be able to exempt these premises from the levy?

Agree, decisions should be at the discretion of the individual licensing authority who will best know their local area.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 7:

Do you agree or disagree that licensing authorities should be able to exempt Business Improvement Districts from the late night levy?

Agree, however this would be dependant on the BID being able to clearly demonstrate the late night service provisions they have made. This would only apply to those premises paying into the BID.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 8:

Do you think that premises operating under a club premises certificate should be exempt from the late night levy?

Not in general, however we think those that are well run could be exempt but at the discretion of the licensing authority.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 9:

What are your views on affording a reduction from the late night levy to businesses that receive small business rate relief?

Businesses receiving small business rate relief should pay the levy where they or their patrons contribute to the problems in the late night economy.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 10:

Do you agree or disagree that there should be an exemption for New Year's Eve?

Agree. There should be an exemption for New Years Eve.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 11:

Do you agree or disagree that licensing authorities should be able to ask for a reduced levy payment from these businesses?

Neither agree nor disagree. Our experience is that whilst some members of schemes such as "pubwatch" take matters seriously others are less engaged.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 12:

Do you have any suggestions for benchmarks that can be applied to grassroots schemes to ensure members are actively working to reduce crime and disorder?

No.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 13:

Do you agree or disagree with this set-up of cumulative discounts?

No, too many schemes overlap so in effect businesses would receive a double discount. It would be preferable for a discount to be given for one scheme only.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 14:

Should there be scope for further exemptions and reductions from the late night levy?

Yes, however each premise should be considered on an individual basis at the licensing authority's discretion.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 15:

What activities do you think licensing authorities should be able to fund with their retained proportion?

Monies levied should be used to fund services which tackle alcohol-related crime and disorder, such as taxi marshalling and 'booze buses' that provide assistance to those who otherwise might become victims or offenders.

CONSULTATION QUESTION 16:

What restrictions do you think there should be on the types of services that licensing authorities will be able to fund?

The restriction should be limited to those types of services that can be directly linked to the prevention of crime and disorder or the management of the night time economy

CONSULTATION QUESTION 17:

If you have any comments on the Impact Assessment, please detail them here?

None

CONSULTATION QUESTION 19:

If you are responding on behalf of a licensing authority, how many premises do you expect will be affected by any EMRO in your area?

We are unable to answer this question at the present time, as the list of exemptions is not yet known. Given that we are a mainly rural authority we would expect that any EMRO would only affect a handful of premises.