

## CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

### LICENSING POLICY STATEMENT 2011/2014

Set out below is a range of questions to help you to give feedback on Gloucester City Council's Draft Revised Licensing Policy Statement (LPS). The list of questions should only be used as guidance. Any other comments you may wish to make will be well received. Space has been included at the end of this questionnaire for this or alternatively if there is insufficient space please attach your comments to the questionnaire.

1. Is the Licensing Policy Statement (LPS) clear and easy to follow?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain giving examples

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2. Does the LPS address the licensing objectives?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain giving examples

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**3. Is the LPS too rigid in any aspects?**

YES



NO

DON'T KNOW

**If you answer yes please explain giving examples**

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**4. Does the LPS make it clear that each application will be treated on its own merits?**

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

**If you answer no please explain giving examples**

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**5. Do you think the general guidance given about obtaining a licence is:**

About right?

Too rigid?

Too vague?

**If you answer too rigid or too vague please explain giving examples**

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6. Do you think that the LPS includes sufficient details about responsible authorities?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain giving examples

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7. Do you think that the definition of 'interested parties' and 'vicinity' are:

A) Clear and enabling?

B) Clear but too rigid?

C) Unclear?

If your answer is B or C please explain giving examples

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8. Does the enforcement approach outlined in this document commit to a risk based enforcement approach?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain why

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9. Does the LPS adequately set out what factors will be taken into account when considering licence applications?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain giving examples

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10. Do you think that it is clear from the LPS on what basis a responsible authority and or an individual can make a representation to a premises licence application?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer yes please explain giving examples

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11. Do you think that from the LPS it is clear the grounds on which a responsible authority or an individual can request the review of a premises licence?

YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

If you answer no please explain giving examples

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12. Do you think that the 'Special Policy' in respect of the Eastgate Street area should be retained?



YES

NO

DON'T KNOW

Please explain your answer giving examples

Eastgate Street is by my own admission "overcrowded" with licensed premises as it is! The restrictions should NOT be lifted.

Additional comments:

I have visited All Bar 1, Walkabout, Yates, Bar Med (website), in over cities, all offering 50pence drink promotions, heavily discounting drinks promo's, all of which we avoid in CLOS! By allowing a "free for all" applications on Eastgate Street and over (above Nationals coming into play) all it will do is heavily upweight competition, which drives down prices - do we want a reversal of almost 10 years. - on all 3 main National websites, all drinks were heavily discounted drinks, all competing with each other in Newcastle, prices starting from 50pence

Thank you for taking the time to comment on Gloucester City Council's draft revised LPS. Please return completed questionnaires by Friday 17th September 2010 to:

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Continued:

We in ES (Eastgate Street) have worked with all local agencies, police, council alike to drive down the problems surrounding "Anti-social behaviour" within the ES and Alcohol frameworks.

I personally fail to see how changing the special policy that is currently in operation for ES will assist in any way shape or form, the special policy was instigated to stop the spread of licensed venues, and to work hard with the existing ones in reducing crime and disorder. This has taken place effectively, and robustly!

I do not see any positive spin offs from a major national coming into ES, as the Bar Meds, and All bar 1's etc etc etc as well as the walkabouts have all failed dismally in Cheltenham, indeed all they have attracted is a still operating price war, where Cheltenham still operates a 50p drink price on any night of the week, how on earth is this a positive move forward..???

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