Appendix 2

Summary of Consultation Responses

Details of Responses	Comment	Recommendation
British Beer and Pub Association (BBPA)		
The BBPA are not replying to individual licensing authorities unless they have specific issues. Instead, they have submitted a letter covering a number of general points for consideration.	Sandwell's current Policy is in line with the general comments made by BBPA.	Already adopted
Scrutiny Management Board		
Suggestions for additional consultees	All recommended consultees were sent a copy of the draft Policy for comments to be made	Adopted
Councillor Mary Griffin		
Did not want to submit a written response but comments made verbally concerning, "availability of alcohol – access too easy, too many outlets obtaining a licence in one area".	Policy outlines parameters for cumulative impact policies if there are too many premises in one area leading to problems. Licensing Act does not allow licensing authorities to limit the number of outlets on the basis of 'need' or 'demand'	Comments noted
Musician's Union (MU)		
The MU is pleased to note that the Policy supports the promotion of live music in line with statutory Guidance	Positive comment	Noted

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West Midlands Police		
A fair and reasonable Policy. Most of its content is already in place and working well.	Positive comment	Noted
Association of Convenience Stores (ACS)		
No specific comments but general points made about a) anyone under 25 should be asked to produce ID when alcohol is being sold, and b) retailers should be notified of any test purchases they pass.	Trading Standards confirm that retailers are notified of attempted test purchases which a refused.	Noted
British Transport Police		
No comments to make		
Justices Clerks' Society		
We are grateful for the opportunity to comment on your Policy, however, on this occasion, we have no comments to make.		Noted
Home Office		
An admirably clear Policy. Good to see the red/yellow card guide included.	The Policy confirms the Council's intention to adopt the tougher stance towards under age sales as recommended by Government Ministers	Noted