

Home Office Session (2)

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The Home Office Alcohol Policy Team

Public Safety Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Services Mobile Comms Programme Fire, Events and Central Management Directorate International Criminality Directorate (ICD) Policing Policy Directorate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Safety Covid-19 Directorate Strategy, Capabilities and Resources Directorate Tackling Exploitation and Abuse Directorate
Crime Reduction Directorate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crime Strategy and Performance Unit Drugs Misuse Unit Drugs Supply and County Lines Unit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serious Violence Priority Projects Unit Serious Violence Unit UK Football Policing Unit
Neighbourhood Crime Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acquisitive Crime – vehicle crime, burglary, robbery, theft, pet theft, metal theft, assaults on retail workers Safer Streets Fund and Safety of Women at Night Fund Home Crime Community Safety Team 	
Community Safety Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anti Social Behaviour Football Disorder Alcohol Related Crime Harms 	
Alcohol Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police led interventions Minimum unit pricing The Licensing Act 2003 Digital technology and online / telephone sales Night time economy issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drink spiking Regulatory exemptions Licensing extensions House of Lords post legislative scrutiny National Working Group

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House of Lords Post Legislative Scrutiny

25 recommendations made by the Committee including:

- Planning and licensing
- Training
- Late night levy
- Business improvement districts
- Airside licensing
- Licensing application platform
- Personal licences database

Government response due late October – Home Office lead but close collaboration with DLUHC in particular


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Late Night Levy Consultation

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Late Night Levy Consultation


Background	Changes	Consultation
<p>The late night levy is a discretionary power enabling licensing authorities in England and Wales to collect a financial contribution from premises that profit from the sale of alcohol late at night (between 12am and 6am) and to put the funds raised towards policing and other costs associated with the management of the night time economy (NTE). At present, if licensing authorities wish to introduce a levy it must be applied to their whole local area. Licensing authorities were given the power to introduce a levy through the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.</p>	<p>Section 142 of the Policing and Crime Act 2017 introduced several changes to the late night levy, which are yet to be commenced. Once in force, these changes will give licensing authorities the power to charge late night refreshment (LNR) premises the levy to assist with the cost of policing the NTE, give PCCs the right to request that a licensing authority formally propose a levy and require licensing authorities to publish information about how the revenue raised from the levy is spent.</p>	<p>To ensure the LNR levy charge is fair and appropriate, the then Government pledged to delay commencement of the levy reforms until it has publicly consulted on the charge to be applicable to LNR providers.</p> <p>At the moment – on track to run a targeted consultation later this year</p> 

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Drink Spiking



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Drink Spiking 

Remains a priority for the Government

Response to HASC Report set out Government commitments to tackle spiking

Two actions fall to Alcohol Policy Team

- Targeted consultation on adding material on drink spiking to the Section 182 Guidance as part of wider efforts to raise awareness – for example signposting to LGA guidance and case studies, examples of promising practice etc
- Exploring options to collect data on licensing reviews and drink spiking




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National Working Group

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Working group focused on police led interventions to tackle alcohol-related crime convened by the Home Office

Proactive




Delivery Focused

Collaborative



Evidence Based

Innovative



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