

# **CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**



## **Licensing Policy CONSULTATION REPORT**

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### **INTRODUCTION & CONTEXT**

On a periodic basis – at least once every five years – the local authority is legally required to review its Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003 to ensure fitness for purpose. Consultation is an intrinsic part of this process: the policy must be responsive to local needs, it should take under advisement comments from myriad stakeholders and seek evidence that will help evaluate progress against its statutory objectives.

To this end, a ten week consultation (July 7<sup>th</sup> to September 13<sup>th</sup> 2015) was held to garner views from a wide range of organisations and individuals with an interest in licensing matters.

This report, incorporating the results of the public consultation and the authority's response in summary form, will go to both the Licensing Committee and Environmental & Public Protection Scrutiny Committee mid-November and then to the Executive Board for a decision before the month ends.

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This report:

- 1) Outlines the approach and consultation methods deployed;
  - 2) Summarises results and key findings;
  - 3) Considers free-text responses from residents, license holders, organisations and town and community councils in a summary matrix table;
  - 4) Provides a short summary
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### **1) OUTLINE OF APPROACH AND CONSULTATION METHODS**

A mixed-methods approach to ascertaining views on Carmarthenshire's Licensing Policy was employed to gather quantitative and qualitative data for analytical and evaluative purposes. Specifically, the consultation focused on (i) identifying locations where alcohol-related problems (including ASB, littering and noise pollution) were perceived to be a serious issue and (ii) the effectiveness of the existing Cumulative Impact Policy and hot spot areas. Participants were also asked how the Policy could be used to further support the hospitality and leisure industry in Carmarthenshire.

In accordance with the Licensing Act 2003, a number of statutory consultees were engaged throughout the consultation. This included:

- the chief officer of police
- the fire authority
- persons/bodies representative of local premises licence holders
- persons/bodies representative of local club premises certificate holders
- persons/bodies representative of local personal licences
- persons/bodies representative of businesses and residents in the area

More generally, the following mechanisms and consultation channels were utilised:

### **Publicity**

The consultation was publicised through the Council's press office, through means including: press releases; article in Carmarthenshire News; information on the Council's website; online consultation portal (hosted on iLocal) and through social media feeds.

### **Carmarthenshire Citizens' Panel & 50+ Forum**

Carmarthenshire's Citizens' Panel (a representative group comprising c. 600 members) – and 50+ Forum (2400 members aged 50 plus) are a useful barometer of public opinion and are regularly consulted on Council services. Information was disseminated electronically to members on email: c. 230 Citizens' Panel and c. 550 50+ members.

### **Workshop**

The September 3<sup>rd</sup> licensing committee was used as an opportunity to run a short workshop session with members. Facilitated by Emyr Jones, members were issued paper copies of the survey and taken through each question in turn.

### **Survey**

Surveys are a cost-effective method for finding out stakeholders' views and can be administered in a variety of different ways. An electronic and paper survey was thus selected as the principal method for gathering data. The survey contained a number of fixed-response (closed) and free-response (open) questions. Furthermore, the survey encouraged respondents to upload/attach evidence to support their submission.

The on-line survey was made available through Carmarthenshire County Council's iLocal consultation portal. In addition to listed statutory consultees, links to the survey were circulated to members of the Citizens Panel, 50+ Forum, Equality Carmarthenshire and Youth Council; county councillors and town and community councils, license holders, licensing solicitors, MPs, AMs and the Police and Crime Commissioner. Taken as a whole, consultation invites were sent to over 1900 individuals and organisations (excluding Carmarthenshire News recipients).

The consultation exercise resulted in **89 submissions**, covering a wide section of the community. Over a third of responses received were from members of the public. Of the 88 respondents who answered the demographic question, 33 (38%) responses were from individual members of the public,<sup>1</sup> 17 (19%) from a body/person representing the public and 15 (17%) were a premises licence holder. A full breakdown is tabulated overleaf. Considering all responses, 22% of responses were received from premises/households in SA15, 13% in both SA14 and SA18, 10% in SA31 and SA33, 9% in SA17 and 7% in SA32, reflecting the clustering of premises in Carmarthenshire's three main population centres: Ammanford,

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<sup>1</sup> The demographic profile of respondents is as follows. Ethnicity: all respondents described themselves white. Age:. 6% were under 25, 28% were 35-44, 28% 45-54, 12% 55-64, 25% 65-74, (age cohorts with no responses are not listed). Gender: 47% female, 50% male, 3% preferring not to say (PNTS). Disability: 6% yes, 94% no. Religion or belief: 56% held a religion or belief, 38% did not and 6% PNTS. Sexual orientation: 87% heterosexual, 1% lesbian, gay or bisexual, with 10% PNTS.

Carmarthen and Llanelli. Other postcodes either had fewer than 5% of responses or did not attract a response.

<b>Are you responding as a...</b>	
<b>Premises licence holder</b>	15 (17%)
<b>Personal licence holder</b>	10 (11%)
<b>Club premises certificate holder</b>	5 (6%)
<b>Member of the Public</b>	33 (38%)
<b>Local business</b>	-
<b>Body representing licence holders / clubs</b>	-
<b>Body/ Person representing members of the Public (e.g. County councillors; Town &amp; Community Council)</b>	17 (19%)
<b>Other Organisation or Group</b>	8 (9%)

Proper weight has been given to the views of all those consulted and, in particular, 'due regard' given to free text (literal) responses.

### **Other**

Carmarthenshire's Licensing department also met with the Licensing Action Group, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire Councils and Local Health Board.

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## **2) KEY QUANTITATIVE FINDINGS FROM THE SURVEY**

In order to illustrate the key findings of the survey, this section will be structured by considering each quantitative survey question in turn. Mention will be made of the views of different categories of respondent, to enable comparisons to be made. This process is known as the disaggregation of survey data: examining trends by age, gender and other demographic variables to enrich the consultation. In section 3, comments from the consultation will be considered separately in a matrix table, whether these have arisen through survey submission, or letter or email submissions.

### About the **Average Index Score (AIS)**

Sometimes known as a 'weighted average', the AIS is a way of distilling the 'balance and strength of opinion' down into one number. Useful for questions with options to 'strongly agree', 'disagree', etc., the technique is used throughout the report.

#### **Example**

10 people are asked whether they 'strongly agree', 'agree', 'have no opinion', 'disagree' or 'strongly disagree' that Wales will win the six nations.

Results...

3 strongly agree (each response worth 2, so=**6**)

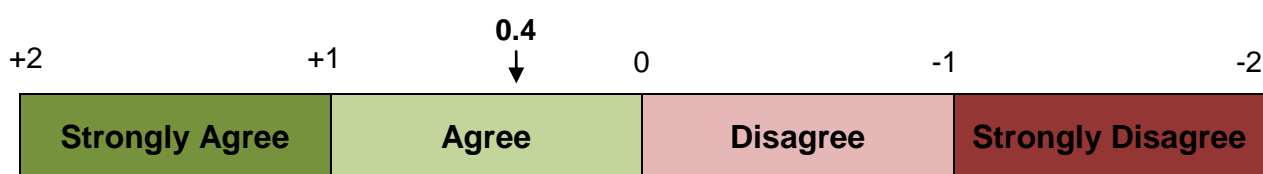
3 agree (each response worth 1, so=**3**)

1 no opinion (each response worth 0, so=**0**)

1 disagree (each response worth -1, so= **-1**)

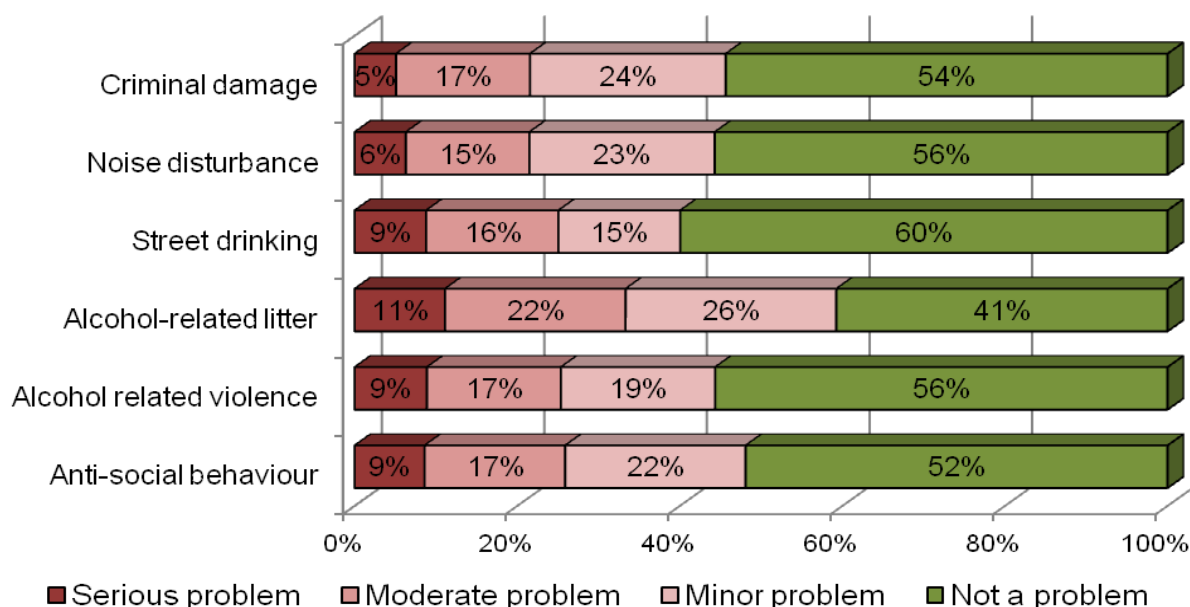
2 strongly disagree (each response worth -2, so=**-4**)

The AIS is calculated by adding all the numbers in bold: So,  $6+3+0-1-4=4$ ; Then dividing by the number of responses (10 in this case). The average index score is:  $4 \div 10 = \mathbf{0.4}$



Following a series of demographic profiling questions, respondents were given a list of common alcohol-related issues and asked to indicate the extent to which they were a problem in their area using a likert scale, with 'serious problem' and 'not a problem' as scale anchors. As depicted below, over half of all respondents do not deem the listed alcohol-related issues a problem. Alcohol-related litter is one exception to the rule, 59% of respondents consider this a problem to varying degrees (11% serious; 22% moderate; 19% minor).

**To what extent are the following alcohol-related issues a problem in your local area?**



By apportioning a value of +3 for all 'not a problem' responses, -1 for all 'minor problem' responses, -2 for 'moderate problem' responses and -3 for all 'serious problem' responses, an average index score (AIS) can be generated that makes clearer the balance of opinion. Again, street drinking is adjudged the least serious issue of those listed (AIS of 1.06), with alcohol-related litter a cause of some concern (AIS of 0.19). A score of -3 is indicative of a 'serious problem', while a score of +3 suggests it is 'not a problem'. This scoring system has been used to disaggregate responses by postcode area, permitting a more in-depth analysis (see below table<sup>2</sup>). The table draws upon a process known as 'exception reporting' to shade values that are critical; in this case negative values indicating a problem of some scale.

+3                      0                      -1                      -2                      -3

	SA14	SA15	SA16	SA17	SA18	SA19	SA20	SA31	SA32	SA33	SA44
Anti-social behaviour	-0.11	0.31	3.0	1.0	1.56	3.0	3.0	0	3.0	1.14	-1.0
Alcohol-related violence	0.22	0.33	3.0	0.83	1.89	3.0	3.0	-0.17	3.0	2.33	1.67
Alcohol-related litter	-1.22	0.77	3.0	0.5	1.1	1.0	3.0	-0.33	1.2	1.3	0.3
Street drinking	-0.11	0.62	1.0	1.67	2.4	3.0	3.0	0.67	3.0	2.17	3.0
Noise disturbance	0	0.58	3.0	1.67	1.56	3.0	3.0	0.5	3.0	1.14	-1
Criminal damage	-0.22	0.69	3.0	1	1.56	3.0	3.0	-0.17	3.0	2.33	-1

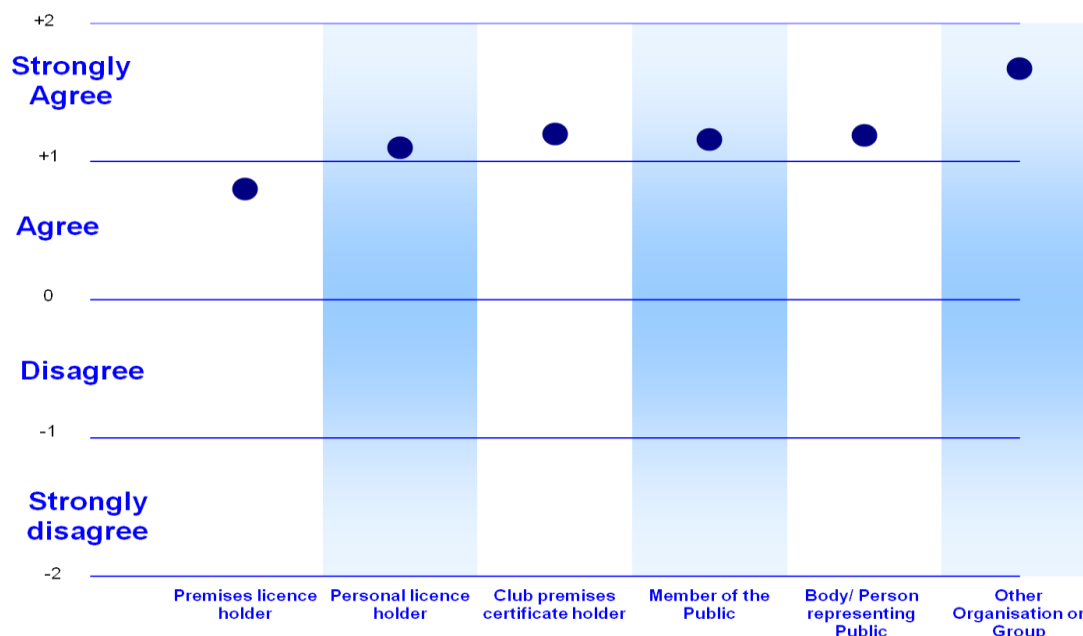
As shown, there is considerable variance on the basis of locality. Taking alcohol-related litter as a case in point, this is identified as a greater problem in SA14 than in any other postcode area, including SA15. Similar variances are observed for the age and gender of public respondents. Males were more likely to identify alcohol-related litter as a problem, while anti-social behaviour caused greatest concern for the 45–54 age cohort.

The survey then asked respondents for their opinion on the current **Cumulative Impact Policy** (prefaced by a short explanation of its history and purpose). There is clearly strong support for the policy: over three quarters (75.6%) of respondents agreed that the current policy should continue. An AIS of 1.15 corroborates this

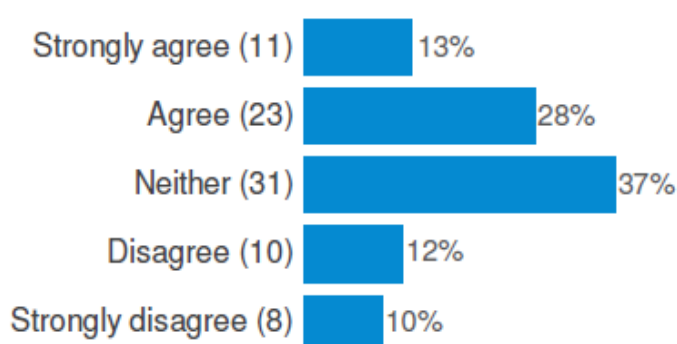
<sup>2</sup> Postcodes which have received no responses are omitted from the table. Please note that in some instances, the sample sizes of each postcode are relatively small – distorting the results. A map showing the postcode areas of Carmarthenshire is appended to this report (appendix 2).

result, with a score in the range of 1–2 indicting strong agreement. An AIS graph by category of respondent is plotted below.

### To what extent do you agree or disagree that the Cumulative Impact Policy should continue?



Four in ten respondents (42%; 30 individuals) felt the Cumulative Impact Policy should be applied to other streets in the County, 58% thought an extension was not warranted. Only 13 respondents (fewer than 50%) specified a location. The following streets were put forward for consideration, listed in order of frequency: Lammas St (x4 respondents); Ann Street, Llanelli (x2); Notts Square, Carmarthen (x2); King Street, Carmarthen (x1); wider Carmarthen town centre (x1); Wind Street, Ammanford (x1) and Llanelli Town Hall square (x1). This is fully considered in the summary matrix table (section 3).



Next, respondents were asked to what extent they agreed or disagreed with a statement about **permitted hours for licensed premises**. There is slight agreement towards maintaining the status quo: 51% agreed (13% strongly agree; 28% agree) that the Licensing Policy should not limit permitted hours for licensed premises.

The table below shows the overall AIS, and that for selected categories, in order to better understand the result. A range of +2 (strongly agree) to -2 (strongly disagree) is used. It is evident that license holders were more likely to agree that the policy should not limit permitted hours. With a lower AIS, members of the public, and in particular females were less likely to agree. Specifically, the female AIS of of -0.12



confirms a very slight negative position, against the idea of not limiting permitting hours.

+2	+1	0	-1	-2
<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	

	ALL	Premises license holder	Personal License holder	Club premises certificate holder	Members of the public	Bodies representing public	F	M
<b>AIS</b>	<b>0.23</b>	0.43	0.9	0.6	0.09	0.06	-0.12	0.5
<b>No. of respondents</b>	<b>83</b>	14	10	5	32	16	17	24

Finally, the survey turned to **Hot Spot areas**. Respondents were given a list of twelve existing hot spot areas and asked to consider whether they should remain in place. The results are tabulated below.

	No. of respondents	Yes	No	Don't know / no opinion
<b>Ammanford - Quay Street</b>	71	39%	3%	58%
<b>Ammanford - Wind Street</b>	71	42%	1%	56%
<b>Carmarthen - Coracle Way</b>	73	37%	7%	56%
<b>Carmarthen - Lammas Street</b>	76	54%	1%	45%
<b>Carmarthen - Water Street</b>	76	43%	4%	53%
<b>Carmarthen - Priory Street</b>	76	47%	4%	49%
<b>Carmarthen - Queen Street</b>	75	55%	1%	44%
<b>Carmarthen - King Street</b>	76	54%	1%	45%
<b>Llanelli - Island Place</b>	69	39%	7%	54%
<b>Llanelli - Murray Street</b>	70	44%	4%	51%
<b>Llanelli - Station Road</b>	71	56%	4%	39%
<b>Llanelli - Stepney Street</b>	69	42%	4%	54%

The following additional streets were proposed for consideration as a hot spot area: Ann Street, Llanelli (x2 respondents); Notts Square, Carmarthen (x2); Blue Street, Carmarthen (x1); Llandybie tennis courts (x1); Eastgate (x1); Stepney Road (x1).

### 3) ANALYSIS OF COMMENTS – SUMMARY MATRIX TABLE

The report now considers comments expressed in the survey's free-text questions. Note is made of the respondents ID number (to provide a traceable record), comment(s) received, the Council's response and, where appropriate, changes to the licensing policy as a result of the consultation. Respondents that have not submitted a reply are omitted from the table.

RESPONDENT	COMMENTS	APPRAISAL	RESPONSE	CHANGES
Respondent 1	Question 13 Serious problem with street drinking at Ann Street, Llanelli. Lasts all day from 7.30am until late evening. Problems with litter as a result.	Noted	The Licensing Act does not regulate the consumption of alcohol away from licensed premises. This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy.
	Question 15 (reasons for strongly disagreeing with continuation of the CIP in Station Road, Llanelli) Since the Council 'cracked down' in Station Road, all the trouble has moved to Ann St, Llanelli.	Noted	This will be taken into account in determining whether or not to continue the CIP in Station Road.	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 17-19 The CIP should be applied to Ann St, Bigyn Hill field and Penyfan Park because of problems of street drinking, urination etc.	Noted	It is unlikely that the CIP can be extended to these locations. The issues identified seem more properly dealt with by a DPPO	Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy.
	Question 20 There should be a blanket ban	Licensing Act does not control the consumption of	Not a matter for the Licensing Policy.	No change.

	<p>on drinking in open spaces</p> <p>Questions 23-26 Ann St, Bigyn Hill field and Penyfan Park should be added as hot spot areas</p> <p>Questions 31&amp; 32 Remove bench at Ann St and install a (CCTV) camera to tackle problems that have moved from Station Road.</p>	<p>alcohol away from licensed premises.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>These are not matters falling within the scope of the Licensing policy.</p>	<p>Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy</p> <p>No change</p>
Respondent 2	<p>Questions 10-13 People drinking on the bench from 7.30am throughout the day at Green Ann street/Arthur street Llanelli</p> <p>Question 23 Station Road Llanelli should continue as a hot spot as it is not safe at night.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>However the Licensing Act does not regulate alcohol consumption away from licensed premises.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy</p> <p>No change.</p>
Respondent 4	<p>Questions 14-19 A CIP should be imposed in King street, Nott square and Lammas street Carmarthen</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be considered in light of other relevant evidence when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>No change at this stage further public consultation</p>

	<p>Questions 20-22 Disagreeing with the lack of a limit on permitted hours. Permitted hours should be appropriate for the type of area a premises is in. Opening hours should be subject to public consultation.</p>	Noted	Licence applications are dealt with on their individual merits and already subject of a period of public consultation.	recommended  No change
	<p>Questions 23-28 Nott Square Carmarthen should be added as a hot spot as it is surrounded by licensed premises and crowds pass through it.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	Nott Square added as a Hot Spot in the policy
	<p>Questions 29 and 30 Well run festivals should be encouraged out of town so they are easier to police and transport is easier to organise and supervise</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives.
	<p>Questions 31 &amp; 32 Do not ignore the advice of the police and records of alcohol related incidents and complaints of noise/behaviour</p>	Noted	The licensing committee is already obliged to attach weight to the views of the Police and Public Health Services.	No change

Respondent 5	<p>Questions 10-13 Serious problems in Ann St, Llanelli with people treating the area like an open air pub/toilet.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy
	<p>Questions 14-19 The CIP should be applied to 'any street' as it is intimidating seeing groups of people drunk/fighting.</p>	Noted	A CIP can only apply where there is already an accumulation of licensed premises and does not tackle the consumption of alcohol off the premises.	No change at this stage
	<p>Questions 23-28 Ann St, Bigyn Hill field and Penyfan Park have should be identified as hot spot areas as problems have moved there since the clampdown on Station Road.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	Ann Street added as a Hot Spot area in the policy
	<p>Question 32 The lack of enforcement is a problem</p>	Noted	This is not a matter than can be dealt with by the Licensing Policy	No change
Respondent 7	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Strongly agrees with the continuation of the CIP in Station Road, Llanelli as it is a useful</p>	Noted	This will be taken in to account when reviewing the Policy.	CIP retained as overwhelming

	<p>tool to tackle ASB and other alcohol related problems in a known hot spot area.</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Festivals should be encouraged in Pembrey Country Park &amp; any open expansive field.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	<p>evidence in favour of it.</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives.</p>
Respondent 8	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Agreeing that the current CIP in Station Road should remain because if enough independent complaints are received the licence conditions clearly need to be looked at.</p> <p>Questions 20-22 When disagreeing with policy of not limiting permitted hours stated that limiting licensing hours may reduce the volume of problems and that premises causing licensing issues should be penalised</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into count when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.</p> <p>No change.</p>

	Questions 29 & 30 Community events run by respectable organisations and individuals should be encouraged at alternative venues such as village halls and community areas.	Noted	Recent deregulation by the government already does this.	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives.
Respondent 9	Questions 29 & 30 Whether businesses, activities or events should be encouraged depends upon individual circumstances.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 10	Questions 10-13 There are problems in New Road Ammanford with people walking home from town in the early hours screaming and dropping litter  Questions 16-19 The CIP should be extended to cover Wind St Ammanford because of the number of premises there  Questions 20 & 21	Noted       Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.       This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	No change       No change at this stage.

	<p>Issues of permitted hours should be dealt with on a case by case basis</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Local family events should be encouraged</p> <p>Question 31 &amp; 32 All premises to include working CCTV to a set specification</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>Statutory guidance provides that the blanket imposition of CCTV requirements on all premises is inappropriate. However where CCTV is required to deal with issues of crime and disorder Dyfed Powys Police already provides a specification for such systems.</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p> <p>No change.</p>
Respondent 11	<p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Festivals, restaurants and community events should be encouraged but with a serious review on alcohol use in such events. This is particularly in communities where there is a lack of social activity.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p>
Respondent 13	<p>Questions 25-28</p>			



	<p>Nott Square and Jackson Lane Carmarthen should be added as a hot spot areas</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Music venues, higher end eateries and drinking establishments aimed at low ABV consumption could be encouraged. King Street Carmarthen might be suitable for these types of premises</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>Nott Square added as a Hot Spot.</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p>
Respondent 14	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 In agreeing to current lack of a limit on permitted hours stated that limiting hours leads to lots of people moving locations at the same time. Allowing venues to choose suits premises and their staff</p> <p>Question 23 In stating that Island Place, Murray Street, Station Road and Stepney street should not be hotspot areas said that that this 'should be a requirement of all licences not certain ones'</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>Island place removed following redevelopment</p> <p>Policy to</p>

	Festivals and restaurants should be encouraged near to the town centre bus station and between bus and train station to provide transport links	Noted	when reviewing the policy.	encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 15	Questions 14 & 15 Agrees with the continuation of the CIP in Station road as it is a nightmare there	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
Respondent 19	Questions 10-3 Alcohol related problems in Station Road, Llanelli. Pub next door holding music events where music caused a nuisance	Noted	The policy already addresses issues of public nuisance. This is really an enforcement issue	No change
	Questions 14 & 15 Young people at pub next door causing trouble	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 21	Questions 16-19 Sure other streets that would require a CIP if residents demand it.	Noted	As the respondent does not identify any streets in particular it is difficult to attach any weight to this response.	No change
	Questions 20-22 Premises should have a strict time limit on serving alcohol.	Noted	Most premises licences have a time limit for selling alcohol already.	No change

	<p>Ideally supermarkets and convenience stores should not sell alcohol and 24 hour licensing would be abolished.</p> <p>Questions 29-30 Supermarkets selling cheap alcohol should be encouraged</p> <p>Questions 31-32 Alcohol abuse is a major concern.</p>	<p>It is possible the respondent has not understood the question as the answer contradicts other responses given by the respondent</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No change to policy necessary</p> <p>No change to the policy necessary</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>No change</p>
Respondent 22	<p>Questions 10 &amp; 11 Serious problems of ASB, violence, litter and street drinking in Wind Street, Ammanford</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Festivals should be encouraged</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing</p>

	Questions 31 & 32 The problem of people entering licensed premises when they are already 'under influence'	Noted	No change necessary. It is already a criminal offence to serve alcohol to someone who is drunk.	objectives  No change
Respondent 23	Questions 10-13 Minor problem of ASB in Chapel Street, Pont tyweli	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 24	Questions 14 & 15 CIP in Station Road should remain as it has a reputation for alcohol related disturbance	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
Respondent 27	Questions 14 & 15 CIP in Station Road should remain as it was obvious from the evidence submitted that there was a need for one.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 20-22 Permitted hours should be limited to exercise more control	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	No change
Respondent 28	Questions 24-28 Inner city areas throughout the County should be identified in the policy as 'hot spot' areas	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	No change
Respondent 29	Questions 10-13 Minor problems of ASB involving local youths in Whitland	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change

	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Evidence provided by residents must be heeded</p>	Noted	No action necessary	No change
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 Permitted hours should not be limited as it provides an opportunity to structure their hours to their needs.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 30	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 In opposing retention of CIP in Station Road, felt that so long as alcohol was available there would be problems and that the number of premises is irrelevant</p> <p>Questions 20-22 In disagreeing with the current lack of a limit on permitted hours stated that when licences were limited problems were over at a reasonable time. Returning to the old licensing hours would allow drinkers to be managed better</p> <p>Question 23 The current list of streets identified as hot spot areas should be removed as premises should be managed better or</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.</p> <p>No change</p> <p>No change</p>

	have their licences revoked			
Respondent 32	Questions 10-13 Serious problems of ASB in Ann Street, Llanelli.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Ann Street added as a Hot Spot.
Respondent 34	Questions 10-13 Problems in Lammas Street, Carmarthen	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing licence	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
	Questions 14 & 15 Assumes the CIP in Station Road only applies to pubs/nightclubs	Noted	The current policy applies to all premises that sell alcohol plus premises selling hot food and drink after 11pm	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 20—21 In agreeing with current policy on limiting permitted hours stated 'Opening with limited makes for irresponsibility'	Respondent may have misunderstood question as reasons do not correspond with response.	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 31 & 32 More CCTV cameras, large foot police presence, more activity from licence officers checking licences being adhered to.	Noted	Matters of town centre CCTV and policing are outside the scope of the policy. Licensing Officers already regularly check premises for compliance.	No change
Respondent 35	Questions 20 & 21 In agreeing with current lack of a	Noted	This will be taken into account	No change

	<p>limit on permitted hours stated that people should be given a choice</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 All business should be encouraged. Festivals would be great in the right area. A greater variety of restaurants is needed. Llanelli town centre needs to be boosted with quality coffee shops etc.</p> <p>Questions 31 &amp; 32 Since the Council took over licensing the system has become costly and cumbersome</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>Both licensing fees and the licensing process are prescribed by central government and the Council has no control over these issues.</p>	<p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p> <p>No change</p>
Respondent 36	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 In supporting the retention of the CIP in Station Road stated that had firsthand experience of emergency services regularly being called to deal with alcohol related issues</p> <p>Questions 20-22 In strongly disagreeing with lack of limit on permitted hours stated that there should be annual good behaviour reviews</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.</p> <p>No change</p>

	Questions 29 & 30 Festivals should be encouraged wherever suitable	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
	Questions 30 & 31 Previous convictions especially for drugs and alcohol or violence	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 37	Question 20 & 21 In agreeing with current lack of limit on permitted hours stated that since it has been in force there has been no impact on the area.	Noted	The respondent may have misunderstood the question as no such limit has been in force since 2005	No change
	Question 23 No need to designate Island Place as a hot spot as area transformed. No longer needed	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the licence	Island Place has been removed as a Hot Spot
	Questions 29 & 30 Should encourage restaurants and bars in town centres	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives



Respondent 38	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 In strongly agreeing that the CIP in Station Road should remain stated that the situation cannot be allowed to get worse.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 In agreeing to the lack of a limited on permitted hours stated that reasonableness needs to prevail</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 40	<p>Questions 10-13 Moderate problem of alcohol related litter in Llanddarog Road</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 In agreeing with the retention of the CIP in Station Road stated that it appeared to be working well</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	<p>Questions 16-19 The CIP should be extended to Lammas Street, Carmarthen due to the problems caused by the high volume of premises there.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 In agreeing with the current lack of a limit on permitted hours</p>	Noted	This will be taken in to account	

	stated that these should continue to be dealt with on a case by case basis.		when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 41	Questions 14 & 15 In strongly agreeing with the continuation of the CIP stated that young people in the area are vulnerable to ASB and crime	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
Respondent 42	Questions 10-13 Minor problems with stag Groups attending local hostel in Llangain	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 45	Questions 14 & 15 In strongly agreeing with the retention of the CIP stated that there was a massive block of licensed premises close together  Questions 29 & 30 Should possibly encourage a festival in Llanelli Town Centre once a year to boost the economy	Noted  Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy  This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.  Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives

Respondent 46	Questions 20-22 In disagreeing with current lack of limit on permitted hours stated there should be time restrictions on licences	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 47	Questions 20-22 In strongly disagreeing with the lack of a limit on permitted hours stated that pubs in residential streets should close at 11pm	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 49	Questions 14 & 15 In strongly agreeing with the continuation of the CIP stated that this was to ensure respect for people living in the area	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 17-19 CIPs should be imposed in any area where people complain regularly	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20 & 21 In disagreeing with the lack of limits on permitted hours stated that in problem areas limiting hours could provide a solution	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 51	Questions 14 & 15 In strongly agreeing with retaining the CIP stated that if alcohol is the main reason for	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in

	problems it is a good reason to refuse new applications			favour of it.
Respondent 52	Questions 14 & 15 In strongly agreeing with the retention of the CIP stated that it helps and supports residents	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 16-19 CIPs should be introduced in any areas where there are issues as the public should have that protection/support	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Question 29 Festivals should be encouraged	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 53	Questions 10-13 Moderate problems in St Mary's lane Carmarthen from glass and food waste being deposited	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20-22 lack of limit on permitted hours encourages greater drinking and that midnight is enough for non-	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change

	nightclubs			
Respondent 54	Questions 10-13 Moderate problems in Lammas Street, Carmarthen	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
	Questions 14 & 15 Constant litter, drugs and disturbances in Station Road area	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 16-19 CIP should be imposed in Lammas Street, Carmarthen as does not feel safe between 5pm and 5am	Noted	This will be taken in to account when reviewing the policy	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
	Questions 25-28 Blue Street Carmarthen should be added as a hot spot area due to drunkenness at the bus station	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 29 & 30 Late night take aways and late night alcohol sales should be encouraged in the streets previously named	Noted	The respondent may have misunderstood the question as the response contradicts previous replies by the same person	No change

Respondent 55	Questions 14 & 15 CIP should remain as residents have a right to a life free of ASB	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 20 & 21 Premises should be allowed to operate so long as standards are maintained	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change.
Respondent 56	Questions 10-13 Problems in Llwynhendy Road, Llanelli from alcohol fuelled arguments, fighting in street and alcohol litter	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 57	Questions 14 & 15 CIP should continue to prevent continued issues	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 16-19 CIP should be extended to Cowell Street and the 'middle of town' as it is frightening with drunk and drugged people	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 25-28 Cowell street and town centre should be added as hot spot	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change

	areas for same reasons as above			
Respondent 58	Questions 16-16 CIP should be imposed where residents make complaints similar to those in Station Road	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20-21 Agrees with current approach on permitted hours as premises need flexibility	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Question 29 The policy should encourage small local festivals and events	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 59	Questions 14 & 15 CIP should remain if problems persist	Noted	This will be taken in to account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 20 - 22 Disagrees with current approach on permitted hours as does not see why premises need to be	Noted. However issues of need are not a relevant consideration under	No change required to the policy	No change

	open all night. Reasonable closing times should be agreed taking into account local residents views.	the Licensing Act. Similarly, local residents are able to comment on applications for Premises Licence and have those views considered		
	Questions 30 & 31 Festivals should be encouraged if properly run on existing sites where previous events have resulted in limited or no objection  ns	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 60	Question 15 The CIP in Station Road does not cover the whole street  Question 21 Having too many places with late/same hours will cause ASB due to premises competing with each other. 3am is late enough. Once one premise goes later others will want to follow.  Questions 29 & 30	Noted  Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy  This will be taken in to account when reviewing the policy	No change  No change



	<p>Encourage late night takeaways to locate in 1 area from Station Road to Church street Llanelli to make policing easier.</p> <p>Questions 31 &amp; 32 Premises Licence summary should be compressed to 1 sheet</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted. However the form of the summary is prescribed by regulation and beyond the control of the Council.</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>No change required to the policy</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>No change</p>
Respondent 61	<p>Questions 10-13 Problems of underage drinking in King Street, Carmarthen</p> <p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 Agrees with current approach on permitted hours as unless the hours cause a severe problem they should not be limited</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Should encourage promotions in Carmarthen Town Centre to help revitalise the area</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>No change</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p>

	<p>Question 31 A level playing field should be applied to all premises</p>	<p>Noted. The authority treats all applications in accordance with the requirements of the Licensing Act and Guidance.</p>	<p>No change required to the policy.</p>	<p>No change</p>
Respondent 62	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 If problems are already evident adding to them would be a mistake. Licence reviews should also be considered</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 In strongly agreeing with current approach on permitted hours, stated that it there was viable demand then should be allowed to operate.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change</p>
Respondent 63	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Residents views are very important</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>No change to the policy required</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Should encourage restaurants and festivals to attract tourists</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives</p>

	Questions 31 & 32 Policy should encourage business growth and employment	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 64	Questions 14 & 15 If there is evidence of problems then action to deter must be taken	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20 & 21 Pubs should be allowed to set their own restrictions without need for LA to impose anything	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 65	Questions 14 & 15 There is already too many premises in Station Road already.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 17-19 CIP should be extended to Pencader as already sufficient premises.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Question 32	Noted	Public Health is not a licensing	No change

	Does takeaway food lead to obesity.		objective	
Respondent 66	Questions 14 & 15 More than enough licensed premises in this location.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 16 – 19 CIP should be extended to Town Hall Square , Llanelli.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20 – 21 Restrictions should be put on permitted hours to reduce alcohol related ASB.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 23- 28 Station Road and Stepney Road , Burry Port should be added as Hot Spot areas	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 29- 30 Policy should encourage bars and restaurants selling alcohol.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 67	Questions 10-13 Station Road Llanelli is often	Noted	This will be taken into account	CIP retained as

	<p>intimidating due to street drinkers and fighting.</p> <p>Questions 17-19 A CIP should be imposed anywhere that has similar problems to Station Road, Llanelli</p> <p>Questions 20-22 Pubs in high density residential areas should have their hours limited. There should be more consultation with local residents.</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Late night takeaways should only be allowed away from main roads and if they have their own parking areas. The problems caused in Murray street, Llanelli should be avoided</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted, although local residents have an opportunity to comment on all licence applications</p> <p>Noted, although the Licensing Policy only controls take aways if they operate after 11pm</p>	<p>when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>overwhelming evidence in favour of it.</p> <p>No change</p> <p>No change</p> <p>No change</p>
Respondent 68	<p>Questions 20-22 Permitted hours should be limited to midnight as late night drinking harms health</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Family festivals should be encouraged for example on Carmarthen showground</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that</p>

				do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 69	Questions 14 & 15 CIP continues to be necessary due to the many alcohol related incidents in the area.	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 20 & 21 This is a difficult policy to balance.	Agreed	No change required to policy	No change
Respondent 72	Questions 14 & 15 CIP should continue in order to minimise late night ASB etc	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it.
	Questions 16-19 A CIP should be imposed wherever there is evidence of late night ASB	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Questions 20 & 21 Congestion of revellers may compound any problematical areas	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change

	<p>Questions 25-28 Llandybie tennis courts should be added as a hot spot area due to police intelligence.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 73	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Any increase in licensed premises will inevitably result in noise or anti-social related problems</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it
	<p>Questions 17-19 CIP should be imposed in any area where there are already a number of licensed premises in proximity to homes</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	<p>Question 32 The Respondent also made the following additional points by reference to paragraphs in the current policy; Para 4.1 – applicable requirements under other relevant legislation should be taken into account during the application process to ensure consistency Para 4.2 – the model pool of conditions needs to be reviewed and revised where necessary Para 5.4 – All applications</p>	Noted	All these comments will all be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Changes have been made to the policy where appropriate to reflect these comments.

	<p>should be accompanied by a risk assessment, or a statement saying why one is not needed</p> <p>Para 7.7 – delete requirement for copies of annual test certificates to be sent to LA. Instead encourage licence holders to keep such records for at least 12 months</p> <p>Para 8 – needs to reflect the Live Music Act 2012. Licensing Group Meetings should continue to take place as they are very useful.</p> <p>Para 8.13 – The Public Nuisance guidance note needs to be reviewed and made available online.</p> <p>Para 13.7 – Responsible Authorities need to discuss what powers are available to tackle premises/events that cause significant problems</p> <p>Para 15 – Amendments needed to reflect changes to rules on Temporary Event notices</p> <p>Para 16 – All TENs should be</p>			
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	<p>accompanied by an adequate Event Management Plan</p> <p>Safety Advisory Group(SAG) The respondent also made several comments regarding the SAG process and recommended a Memorandum of Understanding be drawn up by the various partners in that process</p>	Noted, although this falls outside the scope of the policy	No change needed to the policy	No change
Respondent 74	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 Research suggests that outlet density increases alcohol related health harms. (detailed supplementary evidence submitted in support of this assertion)</p> <p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 The likely impact of limiting permitted hours is unclear</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 The policy should encourage the diversification of licensed premises in town centres to</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy.</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p> <p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it</p> <p>No change</p> <p>Policy to encourage activities that</p>

	<p>support wider regeneration initiatives and a move away from vertical drinking establishments</p> <p>Question 32 The respondent made the following further detailed submissions by reference to specific parts of the current policy;</p> <p>The policy should set out the role of the responsible authorities</p> <p>Section 2.1 – The policy needs to be updated to reflect changes in the demography of the County since 2001</p> <p>Section 6.8 – The policy should reflect the most recent strategies on substance misuse in Wales</p> <p>Sections 8.12 &amp; 8.14 Need to distinguish between the Council and UHB Public Health Teams</p> <p>Section 10 Support continuation of the CIP in Llanelli (statistical evidence</p>	Noted	All these comments will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	<p>do not undermine the licensing objectives</p> <p>Changes have been made to the policy where appropriate to reflect these comments</p>
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	provided)			
	The respondent also made the following general points;			
	The policy makes no reference to Alcohol Harm and its impact	Noted	These comments will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	NICE guidance on alcohol misuse disorders recommends using local crime and related trauma data to map the extent of alcohol related problems	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	Ensuring sufficient resources are available for enforcement	Noted	No change required to policy	No change
	Partnership working with other authorities to tackle underage sales	Noted. This is already done	No change required to policy	No change
	Use of test purchasing		No change required to policy	No change
	Data was also provided regarding alcohol consumption in Carmarthenshire	Noted. This is already done	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
		Noted		
	The policy should be amended to include specific reference to the use of new psychoactive substances	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy has been changed to address this

Respondent 75	<p>Questions 14 &amp; 15 The CIP in Station Road, Llanelli should remain as there continue to be high levels of alcohol related crime &amp; ASB in that area (statistical evidence supplied in support of this assertion)</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	CIP retained as overwhelming evidence in favour of it
	<p>Questions 17-19 A CIP should be imposed in Lammas street, Carmarthen as it is now a centre for alcohol related ASB (statistical evidence supplied in support of this request)</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
Respondent 80	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 Limiting permitted hours in some areas could reduce crime and ASB</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 83	<p>Questions 10-13 Problems in village park Pontyberem</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 It should be left to individual premises to decide opening hours</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	<p>Questions 30 &amp; 31</p>			Policy to

	The policy should encourage festivals, local shows, rugby and sports celebrations	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 84	Questions 10-13 Problems in Lammas Street and Nott Square, Carmarthen	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Nott Square added as a hot spot.
	Questions 17-19 CIP should be imposed in Lammas Street and Nott square	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change at this stage further public consultation recommended
	Questions 29 & 30 Should encourage restaurants in areas where no problems	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 85	Questions 10-13 Problems with people urinating in the street late at night	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change

	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 Current approach allows for staggered closing which reduces problems associated with closing time</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
	<p>Questions 25-26 The Bus station at Eastgate Llanelli should be added as a hotspot area</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Further consultation recommended in order to accurately define the hot spot area
	<p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Should encourage greater use of festival fields in Llanelli for events to help promote the town</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 86	<p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 Should encourage festivals and restaurants</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives

Respondent 87	<p>Question 13 Problems exist in Carmarthen Town. Police statistics are unlikely to provide a full picture. Other sources of community intelligence should be used when dealing with applications</p>	<p>Noted. All Councillors and many Town &amp; Community Councils are notified of applications and given an opportunity to make representations. Local residents also have this opportunity</p>	<p>No change required to policy</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>Questions 17-19 Supports the introduction of a CIP in Carmarthen Town Centre</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change at this stage further public consultation recommended</p>
	<p>Questions 20 &amp; 21 Strongly opposes the lack of a limit on permitted hours due to the impact later hours has on those living nearby</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>Question 23 The hotspot areas in Carmarthen currently identified</p>	<p>Noted</p>	<p>This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy</p>	<p>No change</p>

	<p>in the policy should remain</p> <p>Questions 29 &amp; 30 The policy should encourage appropriate social and cultural events that promote the town.</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	Policy to encourage activities that do not undermine the licensing objectives
Respondent 88	<p>Questions 31 &amp; 32 Statistical data on ambulance calls</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change
Respondent 89	<p>Questions 31 &amp; 32 DPPO and alcohol related crime data</p>	Noted	This will be taken into account when reviewing the policy	No change



#### **4) SUMMARY – KEY CHANGES TO THE LICENSING POLICY**

1. The policy has been updated to reflect changes to the legislation and statutory guidance, including for example the removal of the vicinity test and the relaxation of the licensing of live music.
2. Ann Street, Llanelli and Nott Square, Carmarthen have been added as new Hot Spot areas ( several other streets which have been identified as locations of alcohol related ASB have not been added due to the lack of corroborating evidence. However these locations will be highlighted to the Licensing Action Group for consideration)
3. CIP retained for Station Road , Llanelli despite a reduction in the amount of alcohol related ASB and crime as Station Road continues to experience a disproportionately high incidence of alcohol related ASB and crime compared to the rest of Llanelli due to the number of licensed premises at that location.
4. Paragraph encouraging licensable activities which do not undermine the licensing objectives and which are consistent with the Council's regeneration strategies added. (In addition, although not part of the policy, the licensing section is proactively working with Leisure Services to facilitate the use of council property by event organisers.)
5. The policy has been amended to include specific reference to the use of new psychoactive substances.
6. The policy has been amended to reflect the most recent strategies on substance misuse in Wales.
7. The policy has been updated to reflect changes in the demography of the County since 2001

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## Part 1 - About You

- 1 Are you responding as a...
- ☐ Premises licence holder
  - ☐ Personal licence holder
  - ☐ Club premises certificate holder
  - ☐ Member of the Public
  - ☐ Local business
  - ☐ Body representing licence holders / clubs
  - ☐ Body/ Person representing members of the Public (e.g. County councillors; Town & Community Council)
  - ☐ Other Organisation or Group
- 2 If responding as an organisation/business/body, please write its name here
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- 3 Following 'SA', please specify the two numbers of your postcode
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- 4 What is your age group?
- ☐ Under 16
  - ☐ 16 - 24
  - ☐ 25 - 34
  - ☐ 35 - 44
  - ☐ 45 - 54
  - ☐ 55 - 64
  - ☐ 65 - 74
  - ☐ 75 - 84
  - ☐ 85+
- 5 What is your gender?
- ☐ Female
  - ☐ Male
  - ☐ Prefer not to say
- 6 What is your ethnic group?
- ☐ White
  - ☐ Mixed / multiple ethnic groups
  - ☐ Asian / Asian British
  - ☐ Black / African / Caribbean / Black British
  - ☐ Other ethnic group
  - ☐ Prefer not to say

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The Equality Act 2010 states that a person has a disability for the purposes of this Act if he/she has or has had '*a physical or mental impairment which has had a substantial and long term adverse effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day to day activities*'.

Long term has been defined as meaning having lasted 12 months or is likely to last at least 12 months

Do you consider yourself to be disabled?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Prefer not to say
- 8

Do you hold a religion or belief?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Prefer not to say
- 9

What is your sexual orientation?

☐ Heterosexual

☐ Bisexual

☐ Lesbian

☐ Gay

☐ Prefer not to say

Part 2

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To what extent are the following alcohol-related issues a problem in your local area?

	Serious problem	Moderate problem	Minor problem	Not a problem
Anti-social behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol related violence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alcohol-related litter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Street drinking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noise disturbance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Criminal damage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you would like to provide specific information on any of these issues, such as past or ongoing problems, please do so below:

11 Street

12 Town / Village

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Nature of problem

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## Cumulative Impact Policy

Currently the Council's licensing policy identifies a specific section of Station Road, Llanelli in which there is a presumption that additional licences or variations of existing licences for the sale of alcohol, late night refreshment and regulated entertainment will not be granted.

The policy was adopted as a result of clear evidence from residents and other organisations that the licensed premises in that area were a source of late night noise, alcohol related anti social behaviour and crime and disorder. The policy allows for exemptions to be made in certain circumstances.

(Please refer to section 10 of the current Licensing Policy for a full explanation of the policy)

14 To what extent do you agree or disagree that this policy should continue?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neither
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

15 Please provide your reasons

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16 Should this policy be applied to any other streets in the County?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please tell us where

17 Street

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18 Town / Village

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19 Please outline why, giving your reasons below

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20 At present the Licensing Policy does not limit permitted hours for licensed premises.

To what extent do you agree or disagree that this approach should continue?

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree

- ☐ Neither
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

21 Please provide your reasons

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22 If you 'disagree' or 'strongly disagree', what changes should be made and why?

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At present the Licensing Policy identifies **certain** areas as **hot spots** of alcohol related crime and disorder. The hot spot areas have been identified by Dyfed Powys Police and are intended to highlight areas within the county where applicants and existing licence holders are strongly advised to have appropriate measures in place to prevent crime and disorder on these streets.

(Please refer to section 6.12 of the Licensing Policy for further information).

23 Should the below hot spot areas remain?

	Yes	No	Don't know / no opinion				
				Llanelli - Station Road	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ammanford - Quay Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Llanelli - Stepney Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ammanford - Wind Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - Coracle Way	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - Lammas Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - Water Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - Priory Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - Queen Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Carmarthen - King Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Llanelli - Island Place	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Llanelli - Murray Street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				

25 Should any others be added

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please tell us where

26 Street

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27 Town / Village

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28 Please outline why, giving your reasons below

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29 Are there any types of business, activities or events that should be encouraged by the policy? e.g. Festivals, restaurants, late night takeaways or bars.

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30 If so, where do you believe they should be located and why. Please also outline your reasons below.

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31 Is there anything else that you want us to take into account when reviewing the Licensing Policy? .

☐ Yes

☐ No

32 Please outline the matter, giving reasons below.

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33 If you would like to attach a document to your survey response, please note below

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**Part 3 - Your Details (optional)**

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39     Under certain circumstances, we may wish to contact you to follow-up on your response, either to ask for additional comment or to reply to the points you have raised.

Do you consent to CCC using your details in this way?

☐ Yes - I am happy to be contacted

☐ No - I do not wish to be contacted

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**Thank you for your response**



