

Appendix B – Consultation responses received

Consultation was placed on the council consultation platform, Engage. A total of 25 responses were received via Engage.

Question 1. Are you in favour of the proposed draft Statement of Licensing Policy?

No: 4 (16%)

Yes: 21 (84%)

Additional comments from those who were not in favour of proposed Statement of Licensing Policy.

	Additional comments	Consideration of comment
1	Noise nuisance from events for neighbours should be taken more seriously.	Noise Nuisance is covered under the Licensing Act Objectives and is taken into consideration during application process, and when relevant representations are received. Council procedures also investigate any complaints of noise nuisance. This is also covered under different legislation including Environmental Protection Act 1990.
2	Two things are omitted: 1. The “agent of change” principle, whereby the party that introduces a new use is responsible for mitigating any impacts between that new use and existing neighbouring uses. In practice, this means that if new housing is built near an existing pub, club or music venue, the developer (or future residents) must deal with noise or similar issues, rather than being able to force restrictions or closure on the established premises. 2. Any reference to the fact that, especially outside the City centre, Cambridge has lost and is still losing an alarming number of licensed venues, and those	Agent of Change is rather a Planning issue rather than Licensing. Guidance states Licensing can not take into consideration planning restrictions and these are to be dealt with by Planning.

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	that remain (or subsequently arrive) need to be protected, as important functions of the community. This should be one of the overriding principles.	
3	Too restrictive. I prefer a vibrant community without unnecessary, paternalistic, and puritanical rules.	Policy is based on Legislation and Statutory guidance.
4	From a public health standpoint they should be much more strict to limit damage associated with alcohol consumption	Public Health and other responsible authorities are consulted during consultation period, having the opportunity to respond with any concerns and measures applicant can take.