

Dear Sir/Madam,

I attended the consultation event in London on the 22nd October.

I only want to make one point about the emerging issues:

There is a strong message that alcohol drinking is OK. There is no message to say that alcohol consumption per se isn't acceptable to a lot of people in the UK ( Muslims, 2,000,000 residents, a number of the Christian denominations - Salvation Army, Baptist, etc and infact in some places sales don't take place at all - Sunday's in the Outer Hebrides.

It is perfectly acceptable to say - I don't drink alcohol - infact this is the best message.

This is the message for drugs.

best wishes

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