

QUESTIONS

Question 1: Do you agree that the current Guidance on vicinity should remain unchanged? YES

Question 2: If not, what factors do you think should be considered and why?

Question 3: Do you agree that the current Guidance on incidental music should be amended to expand on the factors that licensing authorities might wish to consider in determining what is incidental? YES

Question 4: If not, please explain why and outline any alternative.

Question 5: Do you agree that the current Guidance on cumulative impact policies should remain unchanged? YES

Question 6: If not, what amendments do you think should be made, and why?

Question 7: Do you agree that the pools of conditions in Annexes D-H should be:

Option 1: Removed from the current Guidance, but consider establishing an alternative central source of good practice advice? Or

Option 2: Retained and updated/expanded as necessary. YES

Question 8: Do you think that there are any other options that should be considered? NO

Question 9: Do you think that, if retained, there is a risk that the pools of conditions may increasingly be considered exhaustive and therefore inhibit the promotion of innovative conditions by the police, other responsible authorities and interested parties to address emerging problems? If so, why? NO

Question 10: Do you think that the pools of conditions have value in promoting consistency and/or best practice? YES

Question 11: Do you agree that the current guidance on the role of ward councillors should be further clarified and expanded as proposed? YES

Question 12: If not, please explain why and provide brief details of any alternative proposal.

Question 13: Do you agree with the proposed amendments to the guidance on authorisation of sale? YES

Question 14: If not, please explain why.

Question 15: Do you agree that the Guidance on variations should be amended as proposed? YES

Question 16: If not, please explain why.

Question 17: Do you agree that the Guidance on evidence to support representations should remain unchanged? YES

Question 18: If not, please explain why.

Question 19: Do you agree that it would be useful to add guidance on how licensing authorities might manage concerns about potential intimidation of interested parties? YES - but no incidents of this in South Somerset District Council

Question 20: If not, please explain why.

Question 21: Do you agree that guidance on the control of nuisance/crime and disorder outside licensed premises should be clarified/expanded as proposed? YES

Question 22: If not, please explain why.

Question 23: Do you agree that the Guidance on longer hours should be amended to reflect the Secretary of State's letter of 30 September 2005 and the current situation? YES

Question 24: If not, please explain why and outline any alternatives.

Question 25: Do you agree that Chapter 11, explaining police powers to close premises, should be removed from the Guidance and incorporated in specific and separate advice for police officers? YES

Question 26: If you do not agree, please explain why.

Question 27: Do you agree that Chapters 12 (Sale and Supply of alcohol to children) and 14 (Other Offences) should be deleted from the Guidance? No

Question 28: If you do not agree, please explain why. need to stay in the guidance for clarification

Question 29: Are you happy with the overall format of the revised Guidance? YES

Question 30: If not, please explain why and what format you would prefer instead.

Question 31: Are there any other issues that you would like to see addressed in the revised Guidance? If yes, please specify.

festivals and all the issues they raise with regards to those questions we have already raised with the DCMS through our MP and not received an answer to.