

PERSONAL LICENCES: GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO THE CONSULTATION ON 'PERSONAL LICENCES; ENABLING TARGETED LOCAL ALTERNATIVES'

Committee	Licensing Committee
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Papers with report	Appendix 1 – Home Office Response document
Ward(s) affected	All

SUMMARY

To inform the Licensing Committee of the Government's response to the consultation to deregulate personal licences.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Licensing Committee note the information.

INFORMATION

At the meeting of the Licensing Committee held in September 2013, Members were advised of the Government's consultation on the 'Personal Licences: Enabling Targeted Local Alternatives'.

The overall proposal was to abolish personal licences and enable Local Authorities to implement alternatives to the personal licence system, by imposing further conditions and training requirements where necessary.

The consultation ended on 7th November 2013 and the Home Office has now published its response.

In summary, the Government received little support to the proposals and has decided not to proceed with the plan to abolish personal licences.

A full copy of the response is attached at Appendix 1.