

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE A LATE NIGHT LEVY IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, Chapter 2 of Part 2 The Late Night Levy (Application and Administration) Regulations 2012 The Late Night Levy (Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions) Regulations 2012

Hackney Council is proposing to introduce a requirement that holders of premises licences or club premises certificates that authorise the supply of alcohol at any time between 00:01 and 06:00 on one or more days in a year pay a late night levy. The amount of the levy is set by the UK Government and will be an annual amount between £299 and £4,440 depending on the non-domestic rateable value of the premises. The Council proposes that the levy will be introduced on Wednesday 1st November 2017. The Council proposes that the late night supply period will be 00:01 to 06:00. Only premises which are authorised to supply alcohol during this time will be subject to the levy.

The Council **DOES NOT** propose to exempt the following permitted categories of premises from paying the levy:

- Premises providing overnight accommodation where alcohol can only be supplied to persons staying at the premises for consumption on the premises as defined in regulation 4(a) of the Late Night Levy (Expenses, Exemptions and Reductions) Regulations 2012 (“the Exemption Regulations”);
- Theatres, cinemas and bingo halls as defined in regulations 4(b), 4(c) and 4(d) of the Exemption Regulations;
- Registered Community Amateur Sports Clubs as defined in regulation 4(e) of the Exemption Regulations;
- Certain Community Premises as defined in regulation 4(f) of the Exemption Regulations; and
- Premises only authorised to supply alcohol between midnight and 6am on New Year’s Day as defined in regulation 4(i) of the Exemption Regulations.
- Country Village Pubs

The Council **DOES NOT** propose to reduce the levy for:

- Premises within a Business Improvement District as defined in regulations 4(g) and 4(h) of the Exemption Regulations.
- Premises subject to small business rates relief as defined in regulation 5(1)(b) of the Exemption Regulations.
- Premises is a business led best practice scheme as defined in regulations 5(1)(a) and 5(4) of the Exemption Regulations.

The Council proposes that 70% of the net amount of the levy payments will be paid to the Metropolitan Police and the Council will apply the balance in accordance with regulations.

More information about the proposals is available via the Council’s website at www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing or from the Licensing Service, The Annexe, 2 Hillman Street, London E8 1FB (Tel: 020 8356 2431). The Council would like your views on the proposal and will take them into account before it makes a final decision whether or not to introduce the levy. You can send us your views by:

- Completing the online questionnaire. Go to www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing and follow the links.
- Writing to us at FREEPOST HACKNEY LICENSING SERVICE
- Emailing us at licensing@hackney.gov.uk. Please include “Late Night Levy” in the subject line.

The consultation ends on **Sunday 7th May 2017**.