

Proposed Tied Pubs (Code and Adjudicator) (Scotland) Bill

Page 2: About you

Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

an individual

Which of the following best describes you? (If you are a professional or academic, but not in a subject relevant to the consultation, please choose "Member of the public".)

Current or former pub tenants or workers

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

No Response

Please choose one of the following; if you choose the first option, please provide your name or the name of your organisation as you wish it to be published.

I would like this response to be anonymous (the response may be published, but no name)

Please provide your name or the name of your organisation

Please provide a way in which we can contact you if there are queries regarding your response. Email is preferred but you can also provide a postal address or phone number. We will not publish these details.

Q1. 1. Which of the following best expresses your view of establishing a statutory Scottish Pubs Code and Scottish Pubs Code Adjudicator? Please explain the reasons for your response.

Fully supportive

Comments:

Scottish Gov & Scottish police want all non food outlets closed supermarkets should not be allowed to sell spirits or beers.

Q2. 2. Could the aims of this proposal be better delivered in another way (without a Bill in the Scottish Parliament)?

No

Please explain the reasons for your response.

Requires to be in law

Q3. 3. What do you think would be the main advantages, if any, of establishing a statutory Scottish Pubs Code and Adjudicator?

They would have licensed trade at heart - on trade

Q4. 4. What do you think would be the main disadvantages, if any, of establishing a statutory Scottish Pubs Code and Adjudicator?

None - do away with different councils, lice trade officers

Q5. 5. Which of the following best expresses your view of establishing a Market Rent Only option for tenants as part of a Scottish Pubs Code?

Fully supportive

Please explain the reasons for your response

It should have been established 50 years ago. Pubcos have got off scot free for years acting like the high priest.

Q6. 6. What do you think of the proposed contents of the Bill and the Code, and the scope of the Adjudicator's powers, as detailed on pages 17-18 of the consultation document?

Have not read!

Q7. 7. Which of the following best expresses your view of the Scottish Pubs Code Adjudicator being able to impose financial penalties for breaches of the Code?

Fully opposed

Please explain the reasons for your response.

The pub tie should not exist, people should be free to run business as they see fit.

Q8. 8. In terms of who the Scottish Pubs Code, and Market Rent Only option, should apply to, which of the following best expresses your view? If you choose option (a) you will automatically be taken to question 10. If you choose (b) or (c) you will automatically be taken to question 9.

(b) The Scottish Pubs Code should apply to all tied pubs in Scotland, but the Market Rent Only option should only apply to tenants of larger pubcos.

Please explain the reasons for your response.

It is only large Pubcos who rip off tenants.

Q9. 9. How should larger pubcos be defined (e.g. by size of turnover, number of tied pubs owned in Scotland (if so, how many, etc.))?

Size, anything over 10

Page 17: Financial implications

Q10. 10. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have on:

	Significant increase in cost	Some increase in cost	Broadly cost-neutral	Some reduction in cost	Significant reduction in cost	Unsure
(a) the pub companies which own tied pubs (Pubcos)		X				
(b) Tied-pub tenants					X	
(c) Tied-pub customers			X			

Please explain the reasons for your response

(a) less Pubcos and back to basics with landlords or breweries (b) Able to compete on a level footing and stay in business without all the headaches and red tape (c) Landlord picking up tab for everything trying to compete with the pub next door.

Q11. 11. How do you think the associated costs of the proposal (predominantly the establishment and on-going running costs of a Scottish Pub Code Adjudicator) should be funded?

Scottish Government/Lice is too expensive as it is.

Page 19: Equalities

Q12. 12. What overall impact is the proposed Bill likely to have on equality, taking account of the following protected characteristics (under the Equality Act 2010): age, disability, gender re-assignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion and belief, sex, sexual orientation?

Please explain the reasons for your response

What should any of this have to do with running licensed premises? Would have to read the Act. As a WASP it does not apply as far as I am concerned.

Q13. 13. In what ways could any negative impact of the Bill on any of the protected characteristics be minimised or avoided?

No Response

Page 21: Sustainability of the Proposal

Q14. 14. Do you consider that the proposed Bill can be delivered sustainably, i.e. without having future disproportionate economic, social and/or environmental impacts?

Unsure

Please explain the reasons for your response

Are tenants going to be compensated for years of hell? Treated like second class tenants and children.

Page 22: General

Q15. 15. Do you have any other comments or suggestions on the proposal?

Pubcos should be made to compensate past and present tenants for all bar range discounts the free trade enjoyed for years and to be compensated for inflated building insurances.