

Brighton & Hove City Council:
Draft design of consultation for Late Night Levy.

What is a Late Night Levy (LNL)?

A Late Night Levy is an additional fee charged to premises licensed to sell alcohol during the 'supply' period. The supply period must begin at some time at or after midnight and end at or before 6 am. For example, if the supply period was set between 00.01am and 6am then every premises licensed to sell alcohol within Brighton & Hove, at any time during that period, would be subject to the levy.

If implemented, the LNL funding would be used to manage the night-time economy better. The measures to be funded would be decided by a joint Funding Panel with representation from the council, the police, trade and the community. Examples and costs *could* include: Taxi Marshalls (est. cost £22K p.a.), Street Pastors and Water Hero schemes, training for door staff, staff of other premises (hotels) and taxi drivers on issues such as safeguarding and child sexual exploitation. Awareness-raising campaigns on safety, such as drinking and drowning etc. Safety measures such as mobile CTV cameras, ID Scanners for selected venues, Safe Haven phone application. Crime reduction and safety initiatives such as the Beach Quad Bike Patrol (Est. £24K p.a.) and Safe Space. Other interventions could be explored by the Funding Panel such as include additional noise patrol services, cleaning kits for taxis, and temporary urinals.

Question 1

Do you think a Late Night Levy should be introduced in Brighton & Hove in order to assist in the funding of the reduction and prevention of crime and disorder in connection with the late night supply of alcohol?

- a) Yes No
- b) Please give your reasons why

(Note: If you answer 'No' to this question, any further answers will only be taken into consideration if a Levy is introduced. Your opposition to the introduction of a Levy will still be noted and be of prime consideration in any decision made).

Question 2

If a Late Night Levy was introduced in Brighton & Hove, licensees would be entitled to amend their hours to avoid payment of the levy by means of a free Minor Variation. If you are a licensee, would you amend your hours?

- a) Yes No Not applicable
- b) What are your current hours and if you were minded amend your hours, please state to what time?

Question 3

The consultation proposal is that should the Levy be introduced it would apply to those premises that sell or supply alcohol between the hours of 00.01 and 06.00 a.m. Do you agree that if a levy was to be introduced it should operate between these times?

a) Yes No

b) If you disagree with this time-period, please state at what hours you think the Levy should operate and why.

1am – 6am 2am – 6am 3am - 6am 4am - 6am 5am - 6am
No time-period

Any other time span (please state which time span) _____
Please state your reasons for your choice of time period:

Question 4

The consultation proposal is that the following premises and times would be exempt from the Levy. Please state which exemptions you agree with and which you do not.

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>
New Years Eve - all premises exempt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Overnight Accommodation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Theatres & Cinemas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bingo Halls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Amateur Sports Clubs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Premises	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Premises in Business Improvement Districts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please state if you think there should be no exemptions No Exemptions

Question 5

The consultation proposal is that premises meeting the necessary ‘small business rate relief’ criteria would not be entitled to a reduction in Levy. Do you think that such premises should receive a reduction?

a) Yes No

b) Please give your reasons below.

Question 6

The consultation proposal that premises participating in a best practice scheme (Business Crime Reduction Partnership) should be entitled to a reduction in Levy. Do you agree that such premises should receive a reduction?

a) Yes No

b) Please give your reasons below.

Question 7

The use of any funds from the Levy to manage the Night Time Economy better would be decided by a Funding Panel with representation from the council, the Police, the Trade and residents.

Examples to which funding could be allocated include: the Safe Space project, Taxi Marshalls; the Water Angel scheme; Training for door staff, other premises (hotels) and taxi drivers on safeguarding and child sexual exploitation; Bystander interventions, awareness raising campaigns; safety measures such as mobile CTV cameras; ID Scanners for selected venues; Safe Haven phone applications; and Crime Prevention initiatives such as the Beach Quad Bike Patrol.

Do you agree that this is an appropriate way to allocate any funds gathered from a Levy?

a) Yes No

b) Please give your reasons below.

Question 8

Please add any other comments you wish to make regarding the consultation on introduction of a Late Night Levy?

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. Could you please indicate below the capacity in which you are making your comments?

We are happy to accept the consultation questionnaire anonymously but if you would like to tell us who you are then please complete your details below:

Name:

Organisation you represent (if relevant):

- Licensed Premises (with licence to sell alcohol after midnight)
- Licensed Premises (with licence to sell alcohol no later than midnight)
- Non-Licensed Business (no licence to sell alcohol)
- Resident
- Councillor
- Other (please state)

