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Dear Ms Rawson and the Derby licensing team ,

Following your request for consultation on the cumulative licensing issues in Derby , I would venture there are none , other than a lack of premises to help continue a healthy night time economy. Surely this consultation should be abolished due to the many closures and the need for more licensed retail premises not less . In these straitened times the Police and the council need to save money not spend it unnecessarily .

The money saved could be used to attract operators and reduce anomalies such as private social clubs such as Spondon Snooker Club being taxed for rates as a night club on square footage (obviously 17 snooker tables and 6 pool tables take up a lot of space) rather than as a pub on turnover. This was a very significant reason for our closure after 25 years providing a community facility at no cost to the council . With the revaluation coming we felt very much a Milch cow with little or no support. Our demise is a loss to the overall tax take , so please think carefully about imposing yet more costs on the remaining operators please.

Yours Sincerely Jason Page