



# Licensing Policy Review 2019

## Consultation Results

## Appendix 1

### Introduction

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On 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019 we launched the consultation on the Licensing Policy Review. The consultation was open for 12 weeks, closing on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

The Licensing Act 2003 requires Derby City Council to publish a Licensing Policy. The Policy guides elected members of the General Licensing Committee on the boundaries and power of the Council and provides them with the parameters within which to make their Licensing decisions. The Policy informs licence applicants, residents, businesses on the scope the Council uses to make decisions about granting licences. The Policy is reviewed every five years and was last undertaken in 2015.

The consultation was primarily conducted through an online survey with paper versions available at The Council House and on request. Different versions and translations were also available on request. People were also given the opportunity to write in with any other comments they had.

**13** people gave their view through the online survey

**2** via a paper questionnaire

**0** sent additional emails or letters

**A note on the data in this report:** Data from the closed option questions is presented in the report as a % score. The data in the text of the report is rounded up or down to the nearest whole percentage point. Charts or tables therefore may result on occasions adding up to 99% or 101%. If a table or chart does not match exactly to the text in the report this occurs due to the rounding up or down when responses are combined. Results that differ in this way should not have a variance that is any larger than 1%.

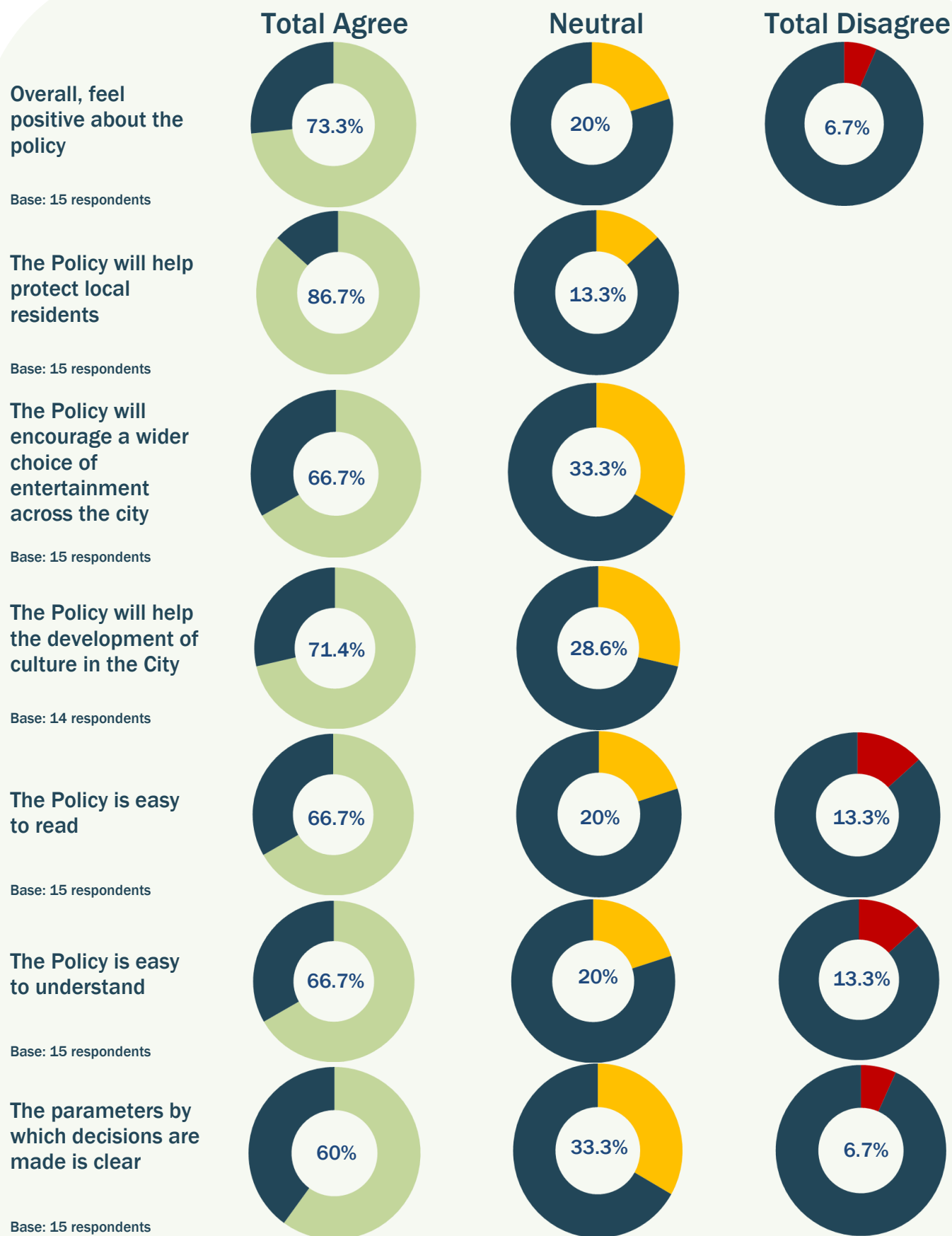
When reading the data, please note that there is a base number against all charts and tables; this is the valid number of responses for that particular question and the figure that the percentages are calculated from.

### Feedback

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Respondents were asked the strength of agreement/disagreement with seven statements. Overall more respondents agreed with the statements than disagreed. The most support came for the statement 'The Policy will help protect local residents' (**86.7% combined strongly agree and agree**), the two statements that encountered most disagreement were 'The Policy is easy to read' (**13.3% disagreed**) and 'The Policy is easy to understand' (**13.3% disagreed**) [Figure 1].

Figure 1: Level of agreement with statements about the Policy



## Comments on the wording of the Policy

Five respondents opted to comment on the wording of the policy, comments made were as follows:

The condition relating to pagers and contact with other venues should be made stronger. For example for venues within the city centre NTE it should be mandatory to be part of the Pubwatch scheme and have a fully functioning radio

. The whole thing needs to be more clearly laid out and concise

The whole policy needs reworking into plain English and to remove frequent duplication of information

Points of note Should the name of the department reflect the actual section name to reduce confusion from MOP (Plain English) E.g. Food and Safety Team Environmental Protection Team is currently listed as Pollution Control and Health and Safety 9.12 point five could the wording " and control any" be added after prevent Noise and vibration Point One do we need to add except of access and egress?

I like the council in what they do

## General comments and suggestions

Consultees were also given the opportunity to make any broad comments or suggestions on the Licensing Policy as a whole – 5 responded. The themes that emerged from these comments are set out below. They ranged from an assessment of the policy and deemed it to be satisfactory to those that commented that the Policy would be improved were it to be clearer:

*Everything is fine*

As Team Leader for the responsible authority, I have taken time to consider the changes that reflect my area of responsibility and as such have no comments to make.



It is poorly put together - strive for clear objectives and practical ways to achieve them, in plain English please

*It is poorly written and looks like simply a paper exercise*

The remaining comment was from a licence holder:

I've been a license holder for long time and is the only source of income I have

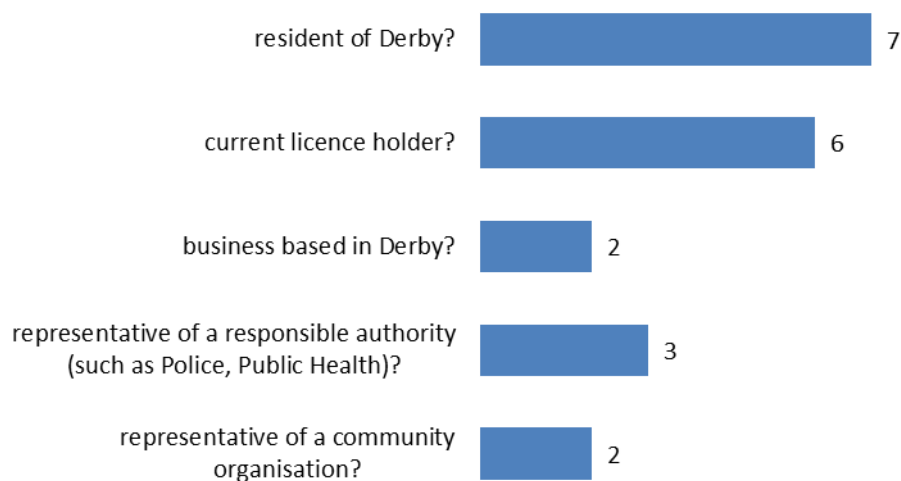
Figure 2: General comments and suggestions given

	Theme	No. of responses
<b>Comments</b> 	Everything is fine	1
	No further comment	1
	Licence holder	1
<b>Suggestions</b> 	Plain English	1
	Improve the quality	1

## Who took part?

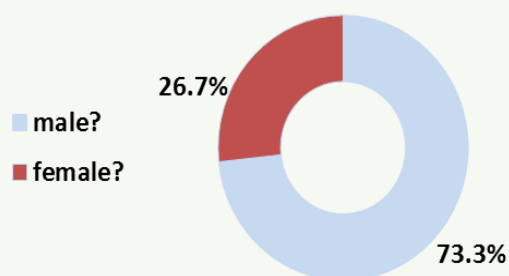
To understand in what capacity responses were made to the survey, consultees were asked to select, from a variety of options, as many as were appropriate. Most of the respondents identified as Derby residents (7) and/or current licence holders (6). The full results are in Chart 1.

Chart 1: Are you a...



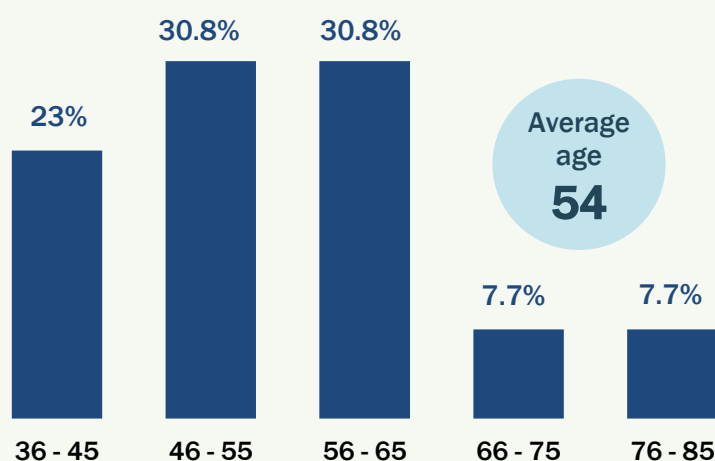
Base: \* This was a multiple response question where respondents could select more than one answer so responses not reflective of participant number.

Chart 2: Gender



Base: 15 respondents

Chart 3: Age



Base: 13 respondents

Chart 4: Do you consider yourself to be a disabled person?



Base: 13 respondents

Table 1: Ethnicity

	Number	%
Asian or Asian British - Indian	2	13.3
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	1	6.7
Asian or Asian British - Chinese	1	6.7
Any other Asian background	1	6.7
Black or Black British - Caribbean	1	6.7
Any other Black background	1	6.7
White - English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British	8	53.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>100</b>

Base: 15 respondents

- All 15 respondents had the same gender as assigned at birth
- 92.3% of respondents\* were heterosexual (7.7% preferred not to say)
- 69.2% of respondents\* had a religious belief;
- An equal percentage (15.4%) either had no religious belief or preferred not to say\*
- One respondent that detailed their background as other identified as Nepali British
- None of the respondents identified to which religion they belonged – one respondent selected 'other'

\*Base: 13 respondents

## Appendix – Data Tables

Level of agreement with 'I feel positive about the Policy'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	2	13.3
Agree	9	60.0
Neither agree nor disagree	3	20.0
Disagree	1	6.7
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Level of agreement with 'the Policy will help protect local residents'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	3	20.0
Agree	10	66.7
Neither agree nor disagree	2	13.3
Disagree		
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Level of agreement with 'the Policy will encourage a wider choice of entertainment across the city'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	2	13.3
Agree	8	53.3
Neither agree nor disagree	5	33.3
Disagree		
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Level of agreement with 'the Policy will help the development of culture in the city'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	2	14.3
Agree	8	57.1
Neither agree nor disagree	4	28.6
Disagree		
Strongly disagree		
Total	14	100

Level of agreement with 'the Policy is easy to read'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	3	20.0
Agree	7	46.7
Neither agree nor disagree	3	20.0
Disagree	2	13.3
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Level of agreement with 'the Policy is easy to understand'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	3	20.0
Agree	7	46.7
Neither agree nor disagree	3	20.0
Disagree	2	13.3
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Level of agreement with 'the parameters by which decisions are made is clear'		
	Number	%
Strongly agree	2	13.3
Agree	7	46.7
Neither agree nor disagree	5	33.3
Disagree	1	6.7
Strongly disagree		
Total	15	100

Any suggestions/alternative wording you would like to make to the Policy?		
	Number	%
Yes	5	33.3
No	10	66.7
Total	15	100

Are you a...		
	Number	%
resident of Derby?	7	53.8
current licence holder?	6	46.2
business based in Derby?	2	15.4
representative of the licensing trade?		
representative of an agency/ professional advisor?		
representative of a responsible authority (Police, Public Health)?	3	23.1
representative of a community organisation?	2	15.4
other?		

Base: 13 respondents for each response, % per category is derivative of the 13

Are you...		
	Number	%
male?	11	73.3
female?	4	26.7
Total	15	100

Is your gender the same as assigned at birth?		
	Number	%
Yes	15	100.0
No		
Total	15	100

Age on your last birthday?		
	Number	%
36-45	3	23.0
46-55	4	30.8
56-65	4	30.8
66-75	1	7.7
76-85	1	7.7
Total	13	100

To which group do you consider you belong?		
	Number	%
Asian or Asian British - Indian	2	13.3
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	1	6.7
Asian or Asian British - Chinese	1	6.7
Any other Asian background	1	6.7
Black or Black British - Caribbean	1	6.7
Any other Black background	1	6.7
White - English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British	8	53.3
Total	15	100

Do you consider yourself to be a disabled person?		
	Number	%
Yes	2	15.4
No	11	84.6
Total	13	100

I consider myself to be...		
	Number	%
Heterosexual/straight	12	92.3
Prefer not to say	1	7.7
Total	13	100

Do you have any religious beliefs?		
	Number	%
Yes	9	69.2
No	2	15.4
Prefer not to say	2	15.4
Total	13	100

To which religion do you belong?		
	Number	%
Other	1	100
Total	1	100