

Proposed Licensing of Funfairs (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".)

Member of the public

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

No Response

Please choose one of the following:

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

Please insert your name or the name of your organisation. If you choose the first option above, this should be the name as you wish it to be published. If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

Please provide details of 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.

Page 7: Your views on the proposal - Aim and approach

Q1. Which of the following best expresses your view of the proposal to exempt funfairs from Public Entertainment Licensing requirements and to create a distinct new licensing system for funfairs in Scotland?

Partially supportive

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Please explain the reasons for your response

I fully support that funfairs be taken out of licence altogether

Q2. 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

Government guidance has been tried and never worked

Q3. What do you think would be the main advantages, if any, of the proposal?

To protect showmens livelihoods and way of life

Q4. What do you think will be the main disadvantages, if any, of the proposal?

None

Q5. What do you think the maximum time available should be for local authorities to make a decision on an application to hold a funfair?

less than 14 days (please specify)

Please explain the reasons for your response.

So last minute applications can be done to help showmen

Q6. How do you think fees should be determined for local authorities to process an application?

maximum fee set in statute

Please explain the reasons for your response, including details of the amount of any suggested fees.

There should be a maximum fee set by the government so all councils stick to it

Q7. What is your view on what should happen to the fee in cases where an application is refused?

Part of the fee returnable to the applicant

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Please explain the reasons for your response

Any money above the cost of processing it should be returned

Page 14: Financial implications

Q8. 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) Showpeople					X	
(b) Local authorities			X			
(c) General public				X		

Please explain the reasons for your response

If the cost for showmen come down then the cost for the public could come down and if the councils are not processing any licences then they have no costs

Page 15: Equalities

Q9. 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?

Positive

Please explain the reasons for your response

It would have a positive effect on showmen way of life and would make them equal with all other showmen in the UK

Q10. In what ways could any negative impact of the proposed Bill on equality be minimised or avoided?

There would be no negative impact

Page 17: Sustainability

Q11. Do you consider that the proposed Bill can be delivered sustainably i.e. without having likely future disproportionate economic, social and/or environmental impacts?

Yes

Please explain the reasons for your response:

It would have a positive effect more funfairs more employment and help protect the showmens way of life

Page 18: General

Q12. Do you have any other comments or suggestions on the proposal to exempt funfairs from Public Entertainment Licensing requirements and to create a distinct new licensing system for funfairs in Scotland?

The best way is to take funfairs out of licensing altogether the same as the rest of the UK making it better for showmen to earn a fair living instead of been victimised in this country