



**Northern Ireland
Assembly**

Committee for the Economy
Room 344
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From: Peter Hall
Clerk to the Committee

Date: 2nd December 2020

To: Dr Janice Thompson,
Clerk to the Committee for Communities

Subject: Licensing and Registration of Clubs (Amendment) Bill

Dear Janice,

The Committee for the Economy considered your memo of the 16th November, regarding the above Bill, at its meeting on 18th November.

Members agreed that I should undertake a brief canvass of relevant stakeholders' views on the Bill and bring this information back to the Committee at a subsequent meeting.

At its meeting of 2nd December, the Committee agreed to respond as set out below.

The stakeholders canvassed indicated that they are broadly in support of the provisions of the Bill, as is the Committee. Respondents suggested that the Bill charts a sensible course between tackling alcohol misuse and promoting responsible consumption, and introducing measures that will support businesses in the tourism and hospitality sectors.

As this only provides a general overview of stakeholders' thoughts, they have been advised to respond to the Committee for Communities' call for evidence in more detail.

I hope that this is helpful.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Hall'.

Peter Hall
Clerk to the Committee for the Economy