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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Local Development Framework - Core Strategy Consultation

Thank you for providing us with an opportunity to comment on your Core Strategy for the Local Development Framework.

This is a joint response on the specific subject of managing alcohol-related industries and the night time economy. It is submitted jointly by NHS Oldham, Trading Standards, Licensing and Greater Manchester Police and is in addition to any other responses that our respective organisations will be submitting.

We have noted with interest the 27 proposed policy directions within your consultation. However, we believe that it is important to include a policy direction for the "Management of the Night Time Economy" within the Local Development Framework.

Our suggestions for the proposed policy direction would be further informed by ongoing work to develop an Oldham Partnership Alcohol Strategy. We aim to complete this work by the Autumn.

An outline, could include the following:

Policy Direction - Management of the Night Time Economy

A policy to adapt the Night Time Economy and mitigate the harm created by it.

The policy direction may:

- set out how the spacial framework can support alcohol harm reduction measures and the implementation of the Oldham Partnership Alcohol Strategy;
- identify strategic sites across the Borough. These will include:
 - areas within and adjacent to Oldham Town Centre (Mumps and West End Master Plans and Yorkshire Street Area)
 - areas within Failsworth

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- District Centre
- indicate the types of developments that may be encouraged in the strategic sites to support the aspirations of the local masterplans and/or create opportunities for safer spatial design to reduce crime and disorder, reduce the adverse impact on health and wellbeing and improve the experience for visitors and users of the spaces;

This Policy Direction would support all of the themes within the Local Area Agreement, including a number of Tier 1 indicators.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss inclusion of this within the Core Strategy and the implications for the Local Development Plan and subsequent site plans.

Yours sincerely,

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