



City Management and Public Protection Policy and Scrutiny Committee

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Title:	Report of the Inclusion in the Evening and Night Time Economy
Report of:	Executive Director of Policy, Performance and Communications
Cabinet Member Portfolio	Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Licensing
Wards Involved:	All
Policy Context:	City that celebrates its communities
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1. Executive Summary

This report presents the findings and recommendations of the Inclusion in the Evening and Night Time Economy Task Group

2. Key Matters for the Committee's Consideration

The Committee is asked to

- Agree the recommendations of the task group.
- Forward the relevant recommendations to the Cabinet member for response.

3. Background

In June 2018, following a number of allegations made about discrimination and lack of inclusivity in late night premises in Westminster, a task group was established to investigate inclusion in the evening and night time economy. The task group's membership was:

Chairman

- Councillor Iain Bott, (June 2018 – January 2019)
- Councillor Timothy Barnes (January 2019 – June 2019)
- Councillor Matthew Green (June 2019 – September 2019)

Other members

- Councillor Aicha Less
- Councillor Pancho Lewis
- Councillor Gotz Mohindra

The task group's aims were to investigate people's experiences – from the perspective of visitors, residents and the industry.

To provide focus, the task group concentrated its investigation on nightclubs as they were the subject of the original complaints. The task group also limited the investigation to discrimination based on the protected characteristics defined in the Equality Act 2010. These are:

- age
- disability
- gender reassignment
- marriage and civil partnership
- pregnancy and maternity
- race
- religion or belief
- sex
- sexual orientation

The task group gathered information for this report through:

- an open call for evidence from members of the public
- engaging with representative groups, such as Stonewall
- a direct call for evidence from late night venues in Westminster
- evidence gathering sessions with venues and industry experts
- engaging with Night-Time Economy experts and other interested parties such as Amy Lamé, London's Night Czar

Following approval by the committee the report will be published on the Council's website. The published version would include some cosmetic additions to the report such as an executive summary and case studies to illustrate some points.

If you have any queries about this Report or wish to inspect any of the Background Papers, please contact Report Author x0000
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APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: Report of the Inclusion in the Evening and Night Time Economy

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None