

SUPPLEMENTARY POLICY 8 – EXCLUDED PREMISES

Excluded Premises - Garages

8.1 Some premises are excluded from authorising the sale of alcohol including premises or parts of a premises used as a garage. Such premises are used as a garage if there is (a) sale by retail of petrol or derv (diesel), (b) the sale of motor vehicles, or (c) the maintenance of motor vehicles.

8.2 However, where those premises or parts of premises are used for the sale by retail of petrol or derv, alcohol may be authorised to be sold in some circumstances. Alcohol may be sold where the Board determines that in relation to such premises persons resident in the locality are, or are likely to become, reliant to a significant extent on the premises as the principal source of (a) petrol or derv, or (b) groceries.

8.3 In determining an application for such a premises, the Board expects the applicant to provide sufficient information to enable them to consider –

The locality in which the premises are situated
What other sources of (a) petrol or derv and/or (b) groceries are in that locality, and
The extent to which persons resident in that locality are, or are likely to become, reliant on the premises as the principal source of (a) petrol/derv, or (b) groceries.

8.4 Factors the Board may consider include –

The number of premises selling petrol/derv or groceries in the locality
The distance to the nearest other premises selling petrol/derv or groceries
The opening hours of other premises selling petrol/derv or groceries in the locality
The number and/or percentage of persons resident in the locality who are, or are likely to become, reliant on the premises, and
To what extent, the premises are relied on as the principal source of (a) petrol/derv or (b) groceries.

8.5 The Board acknowledges the concerns regarding the perceived message in relation to encouraging drink driving. However, there is no direct evidence before the Board to suggest that Board's position should change or that such premises are not complying with the five Licensing Objectives.