

**Sent:** 09 July 2018 14:55  
**To:** Ball, Danielle  
**Subject:** Lap Dancing Club Licensing

**By email to the General Licensing Sub-Committee**

Dear Sub-Committee Members

### **LAP DANCING CLUB LICENSE**

I heard this morning about the meeting scheduled later today which is considering the license application for a Lap Dancing Club in Eastbourne. Having read the EBC Licensing policy document, I am writing to express my concerns, which are given below:

- A fundamental principle of your policy seeks to protect children. A sexual entertainment business, by nature, is designed to exploit gullible men and women. Sadly young girls under 18 will always seek to pass themselves off as older. My own daughters did this, much to their regret. Aside from the obvious exploitation of women as sex objects, a further unintended consequence will be the need to reward, charm, deceive, groom, exploit and coerce local naive young women and men.
- Another fundamental policy principle is the impact on anti-social behaviour. As a volunteer in the night-time economy we are very watchful of the behaviour outside night clubs at 3am where gangs wait to prey on vulnerable men and women. By agreeing to license an enterprise which profits from sexually stimulating young men, also fuelled by alcohol, you will create greater opportunity (excuses) for participation in street violence, rape and domestic abuse.
- The proposed venue is totally unsuitable as a sexual entertainment venue because it is located opposite both a children's play centre, a bingo hall and a main bus stop, all of which are frequented by families, tourists, children and older people.
- Money spent in such venues tend to be the proceeds of crime. I have no evidence for this but the use of cash as a reward for sex is how the seedy underworld has always been able to thrive. It will be a license to launder money.

Sometimes people just need protecting from themselves.

Sincerely yours,

Sandy Medway (Mrs)