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Dear Residents

SEXUAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUES – CONSULTATION BY TONBRIDGE AND MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Following a recent change in legislation, TMBC are inviting comments on whether to adopt new powers relating to sexual entertainment venues.

Currently sex shops and sex cinemas require a licence from the Borough Council. The Policing and Crime Act 2009 introduced new powers for local authorities to regulate sexual entertainment venues e.g. table dancing, lap dancing and similar activities so as to require such establishments to apply for a licence.

In order for the new provisions relating to sexual entertainment venues to take effect within Tonbridge and Malling, the Borough Council would need to formally resolve to adopt the provisions and to consult local people about whether or not it should make such a resolution. Tonbridge and Malling Borough Councils preferred view is to adopt the new provisions. The Parish Councils' response will be considered at a meeting of the Parish Council which will be held on Monday 19th September 2011.

Further information is available from Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council. If you would like to comment on the new legislation, all comments should be submitted in writing to Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council by Friday 14 October 2011 either by email to licensing.services@tmbc.gov.uk or by post to Licensing Services Team, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ. For more information please visit [Sex Establishment Licensing](#) or call the licensing team on 01732 876368.

Yours faithfully

Karen Bell