Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above Bill. I have circulated the Bill to the members of our Joint Central Committee and what follows is a summary of their views.

By a majority, our members support minimum pricing and believe the proposed minimum unit price of 40p is satisfactory.

Also by a majority, they support a social responsibility levy and an Age Verification Policy.

They would also support, by a majority, local licensing boards having the power to raise age limits.

Various other comments were made on other aspects of the Bill but not with sufficient weight to merit inclusion in this response.

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