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The committee looked at a number of issues around licencing, but [The Independent](#) reported that a key concern was the fact that airport bars don't have to abide by rules set out in the Licensing Act 2003, which covers most drinking establishments in the UK.

Their 186-page report read: "No one travelling on an international flight can fail to notice that, once they have gone through customs, control of the sale of alcohol seems to be relaxed, and the permitted hours even more so."

During 10-month-long inquiry, a representative from Jet2 also made a submission calling for changes to regulations.

The company spokesperson claimed that more than half of the incidents with passengers behaving badly on their aircraft had been fuelled by alcohol.



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According to the Independent, Baroness McIntosh of Pickering, chairwoman of the Lords select committee, said: "This can lead to dangerous situations and must be changed"



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He also pledged to ensure the way in which unruly travellers are stopped from going through airport departure gates is "fit for purpose"..

Lord Ahmad said at the time: "I don't think we want to kill merriment altogether, but I think it's important that passengers who board planes are also responsible and have a responsibility to other passengers, and that certainly should be the factor which we bear in mind.

"In terms of specific regulations of timings of outlets (which sell alcohol) and how they operate, clearly I want to have a look at that."

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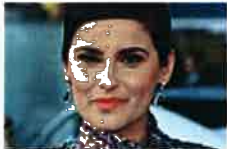


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the house of lardos is not fit for clucking purpose! there is nothing wrong with serving drinks at airports. what is wrong is the airlines taking the mick in selling mini cans of warm beer at extortionate prices. this will lead too many having as many as possible before boarding. i admit i am one of those who crack open the duty frees but i don't lose it like some!

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