

**Licensing Act 2003 'fundamentally flawed'  
according to the House of Lords Select  
Committee report released overnight**



*On 4<sup>th</sup> April, the House of Lords Select Committee on the Licensing Act 2003 published the report of its findings.*

*Those called to give oral evidence included Emms Gilmore Liberson Director of Regulatory Services and CherryPick group founder, Peter Adkins.*

*Appointed in May 2016, after the publication of a formal memorandum from the Home Office in June 2016, the Committee issued a call for evidence. They received some 175 written submissions and then heard oral evidence from 65 witnesses. .*

*The Select Committee website has today commented 'The House of Lords Select Committee on the Licensing Act 2003 publishes its report 'The Licensing Act 2003: post-legislative scrutiny'. In the eleven years since the Act has been in force hardly a year has gone by without major piecemeal amendments to the Act. The Lords Committee, set up to scrutinise the Act, has concluded that it is fundamentally flawed and needs a radical overhaul, including the abolition of local authority licensing committees'*

*and steps through applications, hearing to enforcement. Very few if any areas of the Act appear to have been left unconsidered.*

*If you'd like to know more please click on [this link](#) or below to see Peter Adkins article on the report*

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