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**From:****Sent:** 12 June 2013 12:11**To:** Pubs Consultation Responses**Subject:** Tied pubs

Good Morning,

As a newcomer to the industry with a tied tenancy agreement, there are both positive and negative surrounding the current discussions regarding a statutory code for pub companies. A tied tenancy is a good entrance into the industry for those that do not have the finances available for either a freehold or leasehold and with lower rents available for those tied in, makes it more accessible to enter the pub trade.

With additional options on tie release fees, support, training and mentoring, a tied tenant has more options available and can make a more informed decision as to what direction should be taken to make thier business more attractive and viable. Personally, being a tied tenant has provided the opportunity to take on a pub that would otherwise have been unattainable.

Whilst it is agreed that fair rent and a competitive pricing policy must be available to all, the onus should be on all parties to reach an agreement that is suitable for the individual, the premises and the pub company.

With Regards

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