

## **Summary**

### **Introduction**

The Live Music Act (the Act), which was a Private Members Bill with Government support, came into force on 1 October 2012.

### **Effect of the Act**

The Act removes the licensing requirements for:

- Amplified live music taking place between 8am and 11pm before audiences of no more than 200 people on premises authorised to sell alcohol for consumption on the premises;
- Amplified live music between 8am and 11pm before audiences of no more than 200 people in workplaces not otherwise licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 (or licensed only for the provision of late night refreshment);
- Unamplified music between 8am and 11pm in all venues.

### **Deregulation of the Provision of Entertainment Facilities**

The Live Music Act 2012 also removes the licensing requirements for the following licensable activities:

- Making Music;
- Dancing;
- Entertainment of a similar description to making music or dancing.

### **Existing Conditions Attached to a Premises Licence**

Where licensable activities (such as the sale of alcohol) continue to take place on the premises, any existing conditions on the licence that are related to live music will be suspended and shall not have effect.

### **Reviews (LA2003)**

It is possible however to impose new conditions or re-instate existing licence conditions upon a formal review of the licence. The licensing authority can also impose a statement whereby the provisions of the Live Music Act 2012 will no longer apply.