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 Consumer and Competition Policy,
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 Innovation and Skills,
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Dear Sirs

I operate 2 tenanted pubs with Admiral Taverns, and I am writing to you because I am worried about what is going to happen in the future to my pubs if you go ahead and introduce more red tape around the pub industry.

I have been a pub tenant for _____, and currently run my pubs on 3 year tenancy agreements with _____ as my BDM:

Admiral has been very supportive of me and has enabled me to take on these 2 businesses that I could never have afforded to purchase myself outright on a freehold basis. I am in a position that I am purchasing the freehold for _____ from Admiral Taverns and I have 3 year option to purchase that runs alongside my free of tie tenancy in order for me to raise the capital I need to complete the deal. I also have a partially tied tenancy with Admiral Taverns at _____ but prefer the tie on Beers, ciders and Alcopops as it keep my rent lower enabling me to control my fixed costs.

I have worked in this industry for over 15 years as an _____ and have seen the industry undergo massive changes in legislation, taxation and control from Government. I do not see the need for any further intervention and legislation.

My experience of Admiral Taverns as a tenant has shown me that I am treated fairly and allowed to run my pubs as I choose, hence I have increased my pub numbers with them. I am happy with the current situation and do not want to see it change. I hope that you take my views into account during this review.

Sincerely _____