



The Secretary  
Campaign against Censorship  
25 Middleton Close  
Fareham  
Hants

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**Your Ref:**

**Enquiries to:** Mr R Ridley  
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Dear Sir

**PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT**  
**STRIPTEASE AND SIMILAR ENTERTAINMENT**

I am in receipt of your letter to the Chairman of the Council's Environmental Health and Public Protection Committee relating to the recent press stories.

In reply I can advise you that the Council has not made any requirements or rules or instructions or standards etc. etc. relating to guidelines for strippers. The Council has only asked the trade to provide details of any additional public safety precautions the licensees may feel appropriate when providing entertainment of this type. When this request was made a set of "house rules" obtained from a pole dancing club were enclosed with the letter to demonstrate to licensees the type of standards which were already in use elsewhere.

The licensees were under no obligation to adopt the house rules which we enclosed as an attempt to assist.

Unfortunately the facts then got in the way of a good story and the enclosure was represented in the press as being a Council requirement.

It appears that the local clubs are aware that the Councils are not seeking to be moral arbiters as they are already submitting sensible risk assessments which protect public safety without changing the nature of their entertainment.

Yours faithfully,

  
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