Author’s response to reviews

Title: All-Wales licensed premises intervention (AWLPI): a randomised controlled trial to reduce alcohol-related violence

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Dear Ms. Pafitis

RE: MS 8927658601142400 – All-Wales Licensed Premises Intervention (AWLPI): a randomised controlled trial to reduce alcohol-related violence

Thank you for your email dated 27th November 2013 regarding the submission of the above manuscript for publication in BMC Public Health. As requested, please find our responses to your queries below.

1. Ethical and funding approval
   • Ethical approval for the trial has been obtained from Cardiff University Dental School REC (Ref: 12/0708). The approval letter from the Research Ethics Committee has been emailed as an attachment to the following email address: BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com
   • Funding for the trial has been obtained from NIHR Public Health Research Programme (Project: 10/3010/21). As requested, the approval letter has been emailed as an attachment to the following email address: BMCSeriesEditorial@biomedcentral.com

2. Funding
   • The trial protocol has been peer-reviewed by Cardiff University Dental School REC, by the funders (NIHR PHR), and through the independent Trial Steering Committee.

3. Study status
   • We can confirm that the trial is currently ongoing. The intervention phase of the trial was completed in April 2013, and we are just over half way through the 12-month follow-up period. Data collection will end in April 2014.

4. Related articles
   • Other than this manuscript, we have not published or submitted for publication any manuscript(s) containing the results of the trial. We are still in the process of collecting data for the process evaluation element of the trial; publications of this data are not expected until February/March 2014. The follow-up phase of the trial is currently ongoing, and publications are not anticipated until its completion in April 2014.
5. Changes required to the manuscript

- We have included the trial registration number at the end of the abstract in the submission system, apologies for its omission.
- The intervention is delivered to premises as part of Environmental Health Officers usual practice. As such, premises do not consent to taking part in the trial. This is written in the manuscript on page 9, paragraph 1, line 11. However, consent is required to participate in the process evaluation element of the trial. On page 13, we have added additional text to clarify the consent process for the process evaluation. This can be found in the second paragraph of the ‘Process evaluation’ section on line 2.

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to make clarifications to our submission and hope that the responses given will answer your queries.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Professor Simon Moore