



## Pubs behind on training

A new poll has shown customers believe bars and wetled pubs are trailing the rest of the sector in terms of training their staff.

The survey by Hospitality-GEM found 35% of respondents felt independent restaurants had the best

respondents who think pubs have best trained staff trained staff, 27% favoured chain restaurants and 22% hotel restaurants. Only 6% of diners feel bars and wetled pubs have the best trained staff.

When asked which area of service needed the most improvement for each sector, 'communication style' was cited as most important.

Overall, 96% indicated that effective staff training has an impact on their spending when dining out.

More than 50% said they would have increased their spend on a quarter of visits if staff were better trained.