



## Sustainable Communities Act – Consultation Questionnaire

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**Proposal: that the vehicle owner should be required to tell the City Council who the driver was and who was responsible for the offence. If the owner does not provide this information, they would become liable for the offence and subsequent fine.**

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐

Any other comments:

Education about the offence. - some view that litter bags would be equally monitoring of the implementation of young people work with McDonalds. Issue from warning. in first instance tax payers money

### 2. Fly Posting

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Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

Any other comments:

12.

### 3. 'Grotty' Properties

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**Proposal: reduce the 28 days to a shorter period for rubbish in gardens or properties that could become a danger.**

Agree 7 ☐ Disagree ☐ 4 abstain

Any other comments:

Possible shen to person whom action is taken.  
What about where occupier not living in property - empty.

Where the owner/occupier fails to sort out their grotty property, the City Council can carry out the work and recover costs from the owner/occupier. However, this can take months.

**Proposal: speed up this process by providing a power of entry to allow the Council to carry out the work. Preventing these works (obstruction) should also be made an offence.**

Agree 10 ☐ Disagree ☐ 2 abstain

Any other comments:

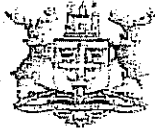
With proper warning - what about people with learning difficulties or they can't understand the letter.

### 4. Licensing of Private Landlords

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**Proposal: extend licensing to all privately rented 'shared' houses.**

Agree ☐ Disagree ☐ 1 abstain



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Any other comments:

Housing for older people - like old system.

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**Proposal: amend the legislation so that planning permission is required for new shared houses.**

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐ abstention

Any other comments:

#### 5. Repeat offenders

The City Council wants to protect communities by restricting the movement of offenders in the areas where the crimes were committed.

**Proposal: where a person commits more than one offence, allow the courts to make an order to control the movements of offenders.**

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐

Any other comments:

need police assistance to make it work.

#### 6. Off Licensing

When alcohol is sold to people who cause anti-social behaviour, are drunk or underage the City Council needs to be know who sold the alcohol and have more powers to stop it happening again.

**Proposal: mark all alcohol containers (cans, bottles, etc) so that the Council and police can tell which off licence made the sale and take action.**

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐ abstention



**Any other comments:**

small business  
financial pressure on ~~small businesses~~ small businesses than  
would it be easier to prosecute the likes of Tesco

Certain drinks (e.g. super-strength lagers and ciders) are typically associated with street drinking and alcohol-related anti-social behaviour.

**Proposal:** allow the City Council to ban the sale of these drinks from specific shops where this is likely to prevent anti-social behaviour.

Agree ☒ 6 ☐ Disagree ☐

6 abstentions

**Any other comments:**

What about law-abiding people who like strong cide

**7. Noise Nuisance**

When a noise problem occurs, immediate action can't be taken as it takes some time to issue a Court warrant to seize equipment.

**Proposals:** allow the City Council or police to seize equipment, with the Courts' approval requested within 3 days of the seizure.

Agree ☒ 9 ☐ Disagree ☐

3 abstentions

**Any other comments:**

What about malicious complaints?  
Reasonable - evidence. Include noisy vehicles.

The City Council (or the police) can currently close noisy premises for 24 hours.

**Proposal:** allow the City Council (or police) to close noisy premises for up to 7 days.

Agree ☒ 7 ☐ Disagree ☐

5 abstentions

**Any other comments:**



## 8. Domestic Abuse

Currently all social landlords can use their tenancy agreement to prevent or stop domestic abuse. There is already legislation to allow this to be used on all properties and we are asking the Government to bring that legislation into force to offer the same protection regardless of tenure.

**Proposal:** extend these powers so that the City Council (or police) can take similar action in private housing.

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐

Any other comments:

## 9. Bins left on streets

The City Council can fine people for this offence, but it takes a long time to do so.

**Proposal:** allow 'on-the-spot' fines for bins left on the street 24 hours after collection, following reasonable enquiries and where the householder is unable to offer a reasonable explanation. Discretion to be used.

Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

6 abstentions

Any other comments:

What about people who can't <sup>get</sup> bin off the street.  
Only just found out about bin collection scheme. - certain criteria  
Potentially for causing bad feeling.

## 10. Property Management

Landlords have powers to ensure that tenants in social housing keep their properties (and gardens) in good order and not cause a nuisance in the neighbourhood.

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Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

Any other comments:



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## **11. Public Safety Zones**

Public open spaces (such as Old Market Square) are sometimes affected by anti-social behaviour including things such as alcohol abuse, unlawful protests, leafleting (littering), skateboarding, busking, cycling on footpaths and pedlars etc. The City Council wants public areas of the city to be kept safe for all to enjoy.

**Proposal: give the City Council the power to designate specific areas as "community safety designated zones" to ensure public safety, reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder and ensure that the public are able to enjoy our public open spaces in a safe manner.**

Agree

☒

Disagree

☐

3

**Any other comments:**

Would it displace trouble / problems.  
Are there facilities for skateboarding elsewhere.  
What other areas might be a zone

buskers + pedlars  
with good products

## **12. Any other suggestions**

Is there anything else you would like to see the City Council do that we haven't included here? Please use the space below to give us your suggestions:

Workmen leaving a mess behind

Dog mess.

Letters through doors - warnings

More litter bins. child friendly

Cleaning of pavements outside shops.

More public toilets.

**About you:**

Sex: Male

☐

Female

☐

Age

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you consider yourself to be disabled? Yes

☐

No

☐



**Racial/ethnic origin:**

<b>A White</b>	<b>B Mixed</b>	<b>C Asian or British Asian</b>	<b>D Black or Black British</b>	<b>E Chinese or other Racial Group</b>
<b>British</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>White &amp; Black Caribbean</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Indian</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Black Caribbean</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Chinese</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Irish</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>White &amp; Black African</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Pakistani</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Black African</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other Racial Group</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other white</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>White &amp; Asian</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Bangladeshi</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other Black</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
	<b>Other Mixed</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other Asian</b> <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Religion:**

<b>None</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Buddhist</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Hindu</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Jewish</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Muslim</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sikh</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Christian</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations)			

**Sexual Orientation:**

<b>Bisexual</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Heterosexual / Straight</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Gay Man</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Gay Woman / Lesbian</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Prefer not to say</b> <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Thank you for taking the time to let us know your views.**

**Please return this questionnaire by Tuesday 21st July 2009 to glenn.estes@nottinghamcity.gov.uk**

**If you would like a reply paid envelope to send this through the post, please contact Glenn Estes on 0115 915 4450**

Public Consultation - Sustainable Communities Act

Edinburgh - Transport Act

Nottingham City Council - under the Sustainable Communities Act - has the opportunity to ask the government to change policies or laws to allow the Council to address issues that concern local communities more effectively. - *Edinburgh*

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1. Littering from Vehicles

*Prang notth Council*

When people drop litter from vehicles, it is often difficult to prove who the culprit is and therefore it is not possible to take action against them. - *Responsible owner*

**Proposal:** that the vehicle owner should be required to tell the City Council who the driver was and who was responsible for the offence. If the owner does not provide this information, they would become liable for the offence and subsequent fine. *Drunk not*

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agree ☒ Disagree ☐

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

- Universities - vibrant city many can't afford to live in Nottingham - worse than flyposting = needs + encourage outstanding city
- Business responsible



Private tenancy  
→ landlord resp  
G974  
22/1/10

### 3. 'Grotty' Houses

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*more war*  
**Proposal: reduce the 28 days to a shorter period for rubbish in gardens or properties that could become a danger.**

Agree ☒ (3) Disagree ☐ (10) visits Gov -

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Proposal: speed up this process by providing a power of entry to allow the Council to carry out the work. Preventing these works (obstruction) should also be made an offence.**

Agree ☐ Disagree ☐

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

2

### 4. Licensing of Private Landlords

*All private land to licence*  
The law currently allows the City Council to license a limited range of privately rented 'shared' houses, and this helps us secure improvements to properties and ensure good management.

**Proposal: extend licensing to all privately rented 'shared' houses.**

Agree ☒ (15) Disagree ☐

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Student no's will be down - is a good thing*  
**Proposal: amend the legislation so that planning permission is required for new shared houses.**

Agree ☒ (4) Disagree ☐ (5)

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

*Trade via Denmark*

### 5. Repeat offenders

*Quora*

*Is it respectful use complaint? Best of show. Degradation of fund 1/5*

- Est Agent
- Sale of property
- Unlucky

The City Council wants to protect communities by restricting the movement of offenders in the areas where the crimes were committed.

**Proposal: where a person commits more than one offence, allow the courts to make an order to control the movements of offenders.**

Agree ☒ Disagree ☐ 5

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Off Licensing**

Set person limits time & many other some

When alcohol is sold to people who cause anti-social behaviour, are drunk or underage the City Council needs to be know who sold the alcohol and have more powers to stop it happening again.

**Proposal: mark all alcohol containers (cans, bottles, etc) so that the Council and police can tell which off licence made the sale and take action.**

Agree ☒ 3 Disagree ☐ 7 5ml for per 9 hrs x 3 weeks!

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agree ☒ 1 Disagree ☐ 2

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Noise Nuisance**

When a noise problem occurs, immediate action can't be taken as it takes some time to issue a Court warrant to seize equipment. Insure?

**Proposals: allow the City Council or police to seize equipment, with the Courts' approval requested within 3 days of the seizure.**

Agree ☒ 9 Disagree ☐ 0

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

The City Council (or the police) can currently close noisy premises for 24 hours.

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Agree ☒ 4 Disagree ☐ 3

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Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**8. Domestic Abuse** → *fatal Consult all DV work*

When domestic abuse happens in social rented houses the landlord can take action to stop it.

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Agree ☒ (10) Disagree ☐ (1)

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**9. Bins left on streets** *natur* • Cars on pavement - Access  
• trees & bushes  
• evening suns - Cars -

The City Council can fines people for this offence, but it takes a long time to do so. (12)

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Agree ☒ (2) Disagree ☐ (7)

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agree ☒ (3) Disagree ☐ (0)

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_ (12)

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- Protests can't be banned -
- Skateboard needed
- Busk
- Control city to lowest demand



**Proposal: give the City Council the power to designate areas as "community safety designated zones" to ensure public safety and reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder.**

Agree

2



Disagree



8

Any other comments:

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**12. Any other suggestions**

Is there anything else you would like to see the City Council do that we haven't included here? Please use the space below to give us your suggestions:

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New York  
Zone 1



## Sustainable Communities Act 2007

- Came into force 2007
- 1<sup>st</sup> opportunity to contribute.
- Act starts with the principle that local people know best what needs to be done to support sustainability in their areas but it sometimes needs the Government to act to enable them to do so.
- As a Local<sup>a</sup> Crime & Drugs partnership we have looked at information we have from surveys & what we know to pull the suggestions that are in the report together but now we want to be influenced by u.

Our surveys say real issues  
for Nottm people are.

litter / rubbish / crime & anti-  
social behaviour & the  
suggestion we have put  
forward relate to this as well.  
How we manage the balance  
of housing in Nottm

- We have aspirations.

→ Cleanest big city by 2011.

→ We want to have improved quality  
of life - already almost 70%.  
but want to increase satisfaction by  
3%.

→ We want people to feel safe.

Reduce crime by 25%  
and perception of ASB by 7%.



Cors.

Licensing

5215

Domestic violence

Bins on streets

public safety zones

controls for HMOs & planning

for HMOs.

repeat offenders

noise nuisance

drunk & disorderly

responsible home occupation.

- feedback.

↓

Personal data  
removed

website

Time short.

↓ Canal consideration 29/7

↓ submit to LGA. 31.7.

Area 9  
Clifton and Willford Area  
Committee

1/7/09

Comments :-

Car radio - schools increased  
powers to deal with noise.  
Ban vehicles.

Pubs → doors open speaker  
outside  
→ Can we add this  
in  
x

(Grey Mare - noise problem)

keep people involved what  
the list ends up as and the  
outcome from legislation.  
Start the process a lot earlier

Gypsies - increased control -  
to move them on.  
& pay for damage  
they cause.

### Suppertime

Careful Nottingham City  
Council does not become  
ranny statesh. Must  
not ~~be~~ back to wildlife  
gardens.

Inappropriate licensing & planning  
controls already strong does  
not require additional  
legislation - need stronger  
enforcement & stronger planning

↳ Cllr Ian Nield m. <sup>licensing, controls.</sup>  
↳ Cllr Chris. <sup>planning needs</sup> to inform LDF.

Negative - to make it negative  
targeted at  
prosecuted.

- Actually should  
tackle the issue.

i.e bins on the street should put  
them back.

- should target community  
cohesion & improvement rather than  
hard hammer approach.

Clk. Brendan Clarke agrees needs  
carrot & stick but need to  
show carrot.

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1. July 2009

## Business Breakfast : 15.7.2009

- forms completed.
- questionnaires & website details provided to at least 30 delegates
- website information to be circulated to members of the group.

- principle
- W Area committee views along with those of the consultants shape proposals
- Surveys - Grime ASB Noise
- Notion committed to improve
- Proposals put forward shaped around issues highlighted in surveys
- Also legislation weak or slow or hasn't even been enacted
- Want to lobby government on noise
- Powers to take action will always be proportionate

Tonight is an opportunity to discuss proposals put forward - but 2 handouts provided

website

questionnaire - neighbourhood manager.

## West Area Committee

Cancel Wood



unemployment : social issues.

- don't understand  
want proposals  
magh.

- cyclical proposals



ought to take care.

→ Concern don't understand domestic  
violence

→ not adequate time for  
proposals to be

1. ✓

4. ?

2. ✓

5

3. ✓

Cancel 1<sup>st</sup> time these are the top  
ones.

imprint law  
1957

- ① Littering from vehicles ✓
- ② Flyposting - tocharah and could
- ③ Groggy houses - concern about safety
- ④ Licensing - issues
- ⑤ Repeat offenders → OLC.  
difficulty - problems
- ⑥ Off Licensing - in hand don't  
need to push this  
- cancellence  
this
- ⑦ Noise nuisance - support but  
difficult to  
enforce
- ⑧ Domestic Abuse +
- ⑨ Bins on streets -  
gentle this proposal  
persistent offenders only



residents not happy with proposals.

Property Manager

section 215 rather than  
this Cllr Chapman - need to  
focus on this -  
- mixed views : - safety  
kept in place

Appeals procedures  
need to be taken forward)

LL responsibility

## Public Safety Zones

= severe doubts certain  
areas more important than  
the areas

= balance.

→ use for shops on water estates

Clr Chapman  
ClMW - Freight with difficulty.

→ Enforcement of cycle times  
no action taken.  
need to do more.  
how would we enforce this

Request

e mailed to all Cancellors.

↓

area chairs & tenant association

↓

empower communities

↓ websites

—  
NCH. nat list

twinkl  
no.  
pins

② shop keepers - who sell takeaways  
managing here like

McDonalds  
Greggs

take  
responsibility  
for  
clients

### ACTIONS

- ① Email questionnaire to neighborhood manager.
- ② send more detailed report to all Councilor members.
- ③



North Canal

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Agree

☐

Disagree

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15

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Agree 2 ☐ Disagree ☐ 14

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Plan App  
Cost?*

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Agree

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Disagree

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Not Disagree

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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11.

Personal data removed

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in few hours or fine

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Agree ☒ 7 Disagree ☐ 7

Any other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agree ☒ 2 Disagree ☐ 9

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Agree ☒ 2 Disagree ☐ 10

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