

Designated Public Places Orders (DPPO)

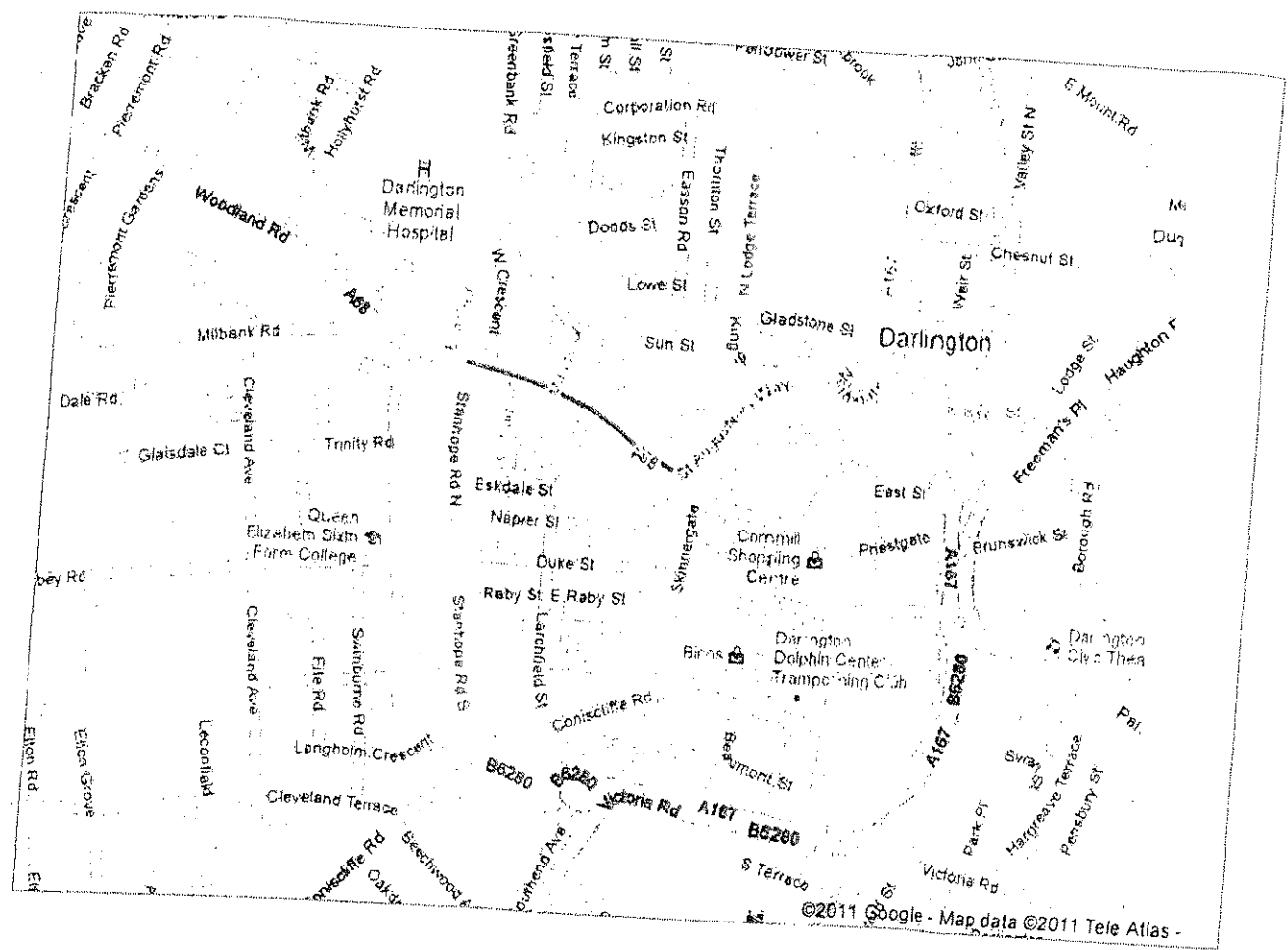


David Kirton. (Sgt 690 Neighbourhood Team)
Anna Willey. (Anti Social Behaviour Manager)





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Prepared By:	Andrea Keillor 04/07/2011	Request From:	PCSO 6642 O'Brien
File Location:	SNU Docs	Partner Agency:	
Request Ref:	To provide a summary of all incidents at North Lodge Park since the start of 2011.		

Introduction:

This report is based on police incident data covering the period 01/01/2011 until 03/07/2011.

Date Range:

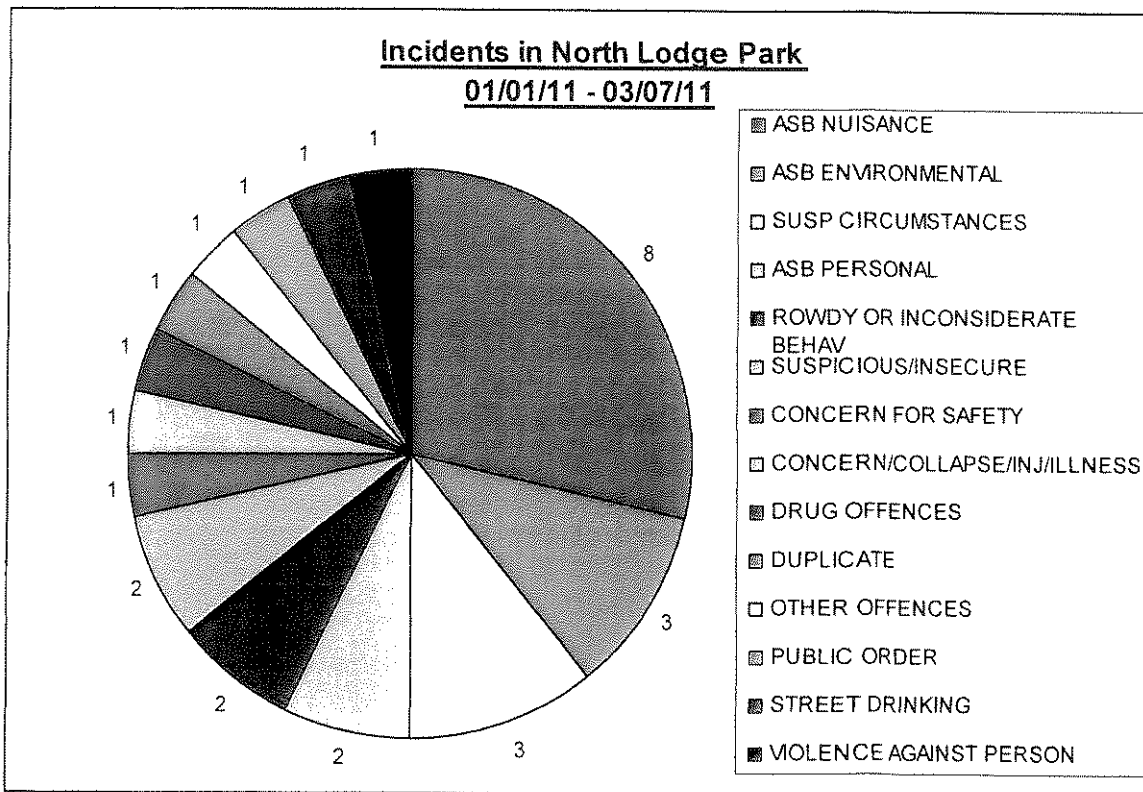
01/01/2011 – 03/07/2011

Area:

North Lodge Park, JD3 Northgate

* North Lodge Park, JD3 Northgate

Between 01/01/2011 and 03/07/2011 there were a total of 28 incidents reported which refer to the location as North Lodge Park. The disposal codes for the incidents were as follows:



36% of the incidents in the park (10 incidents) were disposed as either ASB Nuisance or Rowdy or Inconsiderate Behaviour. 18% of the incidents (5 incidents) were disposed as either Suspicious Circumstances or Suspicious/Insecure. 11% of the incidents were disposed as ASB Environmental (3 incidents).

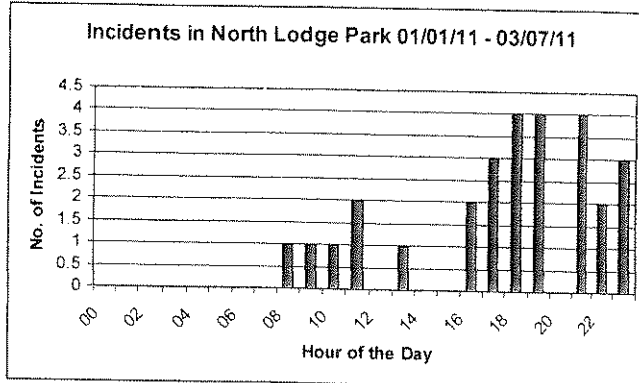
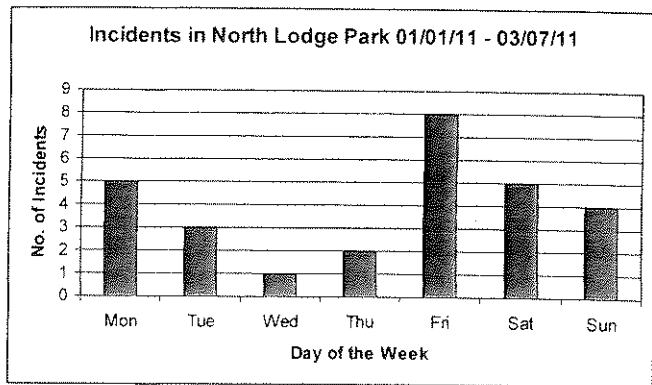
21% of the incidents were tagged as Youth Related (6 incidents) and 11% were tagged as Alcohol Related (3 incidents).

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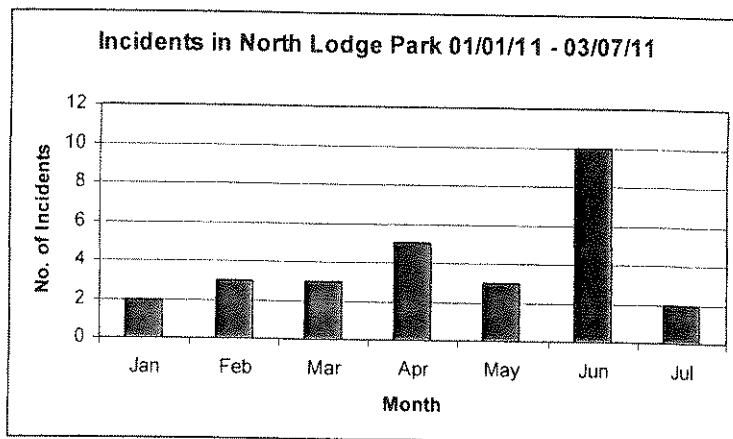
Friday is the peak day for incidents to occur in the park, with 8 incidents. The hot times for the incidents to be reported are between 1600hrs and midnight, peaking between 1700hrs and 2200hrs.

Day of The Week

Hour of The Day



Month



36% of the incidents were reported in June 2011 (10 incidents). 2 incidents have been reported during the first 3 days of July (up to and including 03/07/2011).

No repeat offenders are named within the 28 incidents at the location.





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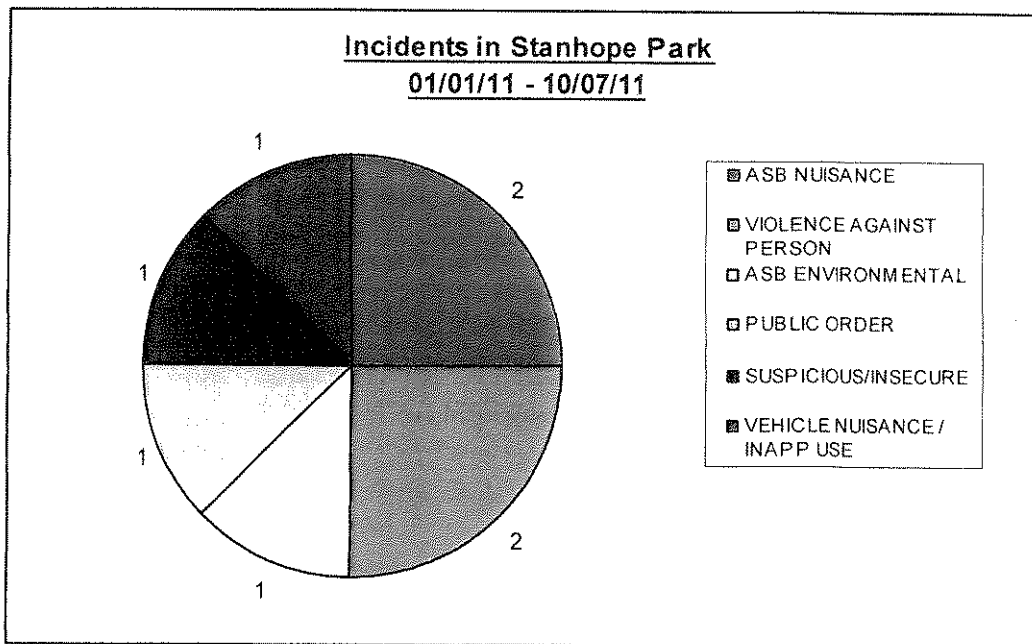
01/01/2011 – 10/07/2011

Area:

Stanhope Park, JC4 Colleges

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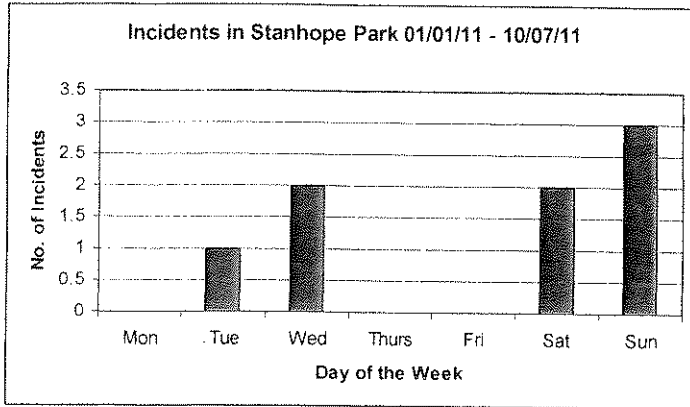


2 of the incidents were disposed as ASB Nuisance, and 2 as Violence Against Person. The other 4 incidents were disposed as ASB Environmental, Public Order, Suspicious/Insecure and Vehicle Nuisance/Inapp Use.

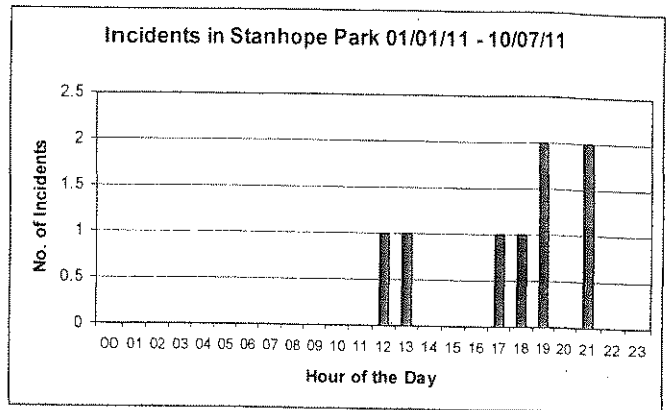
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With only 8 incidents, peak days and times as such cannot be established. However 5 of the 8 incidents were reported on a Saturday or Sunday. All of the incidents were reported between 1200hrs and 2200hrs.

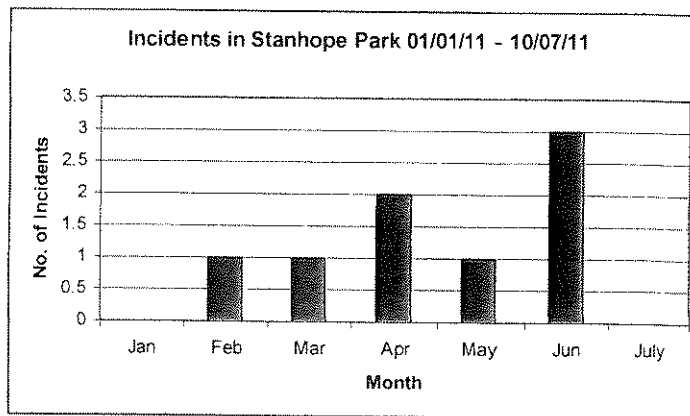
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Hour of The Day



Month



6 of the 8 incidents occurred over the last 3 months, during April May and June, however no incidents have so far been reported at the location during July (up to and including 10/07/2011).

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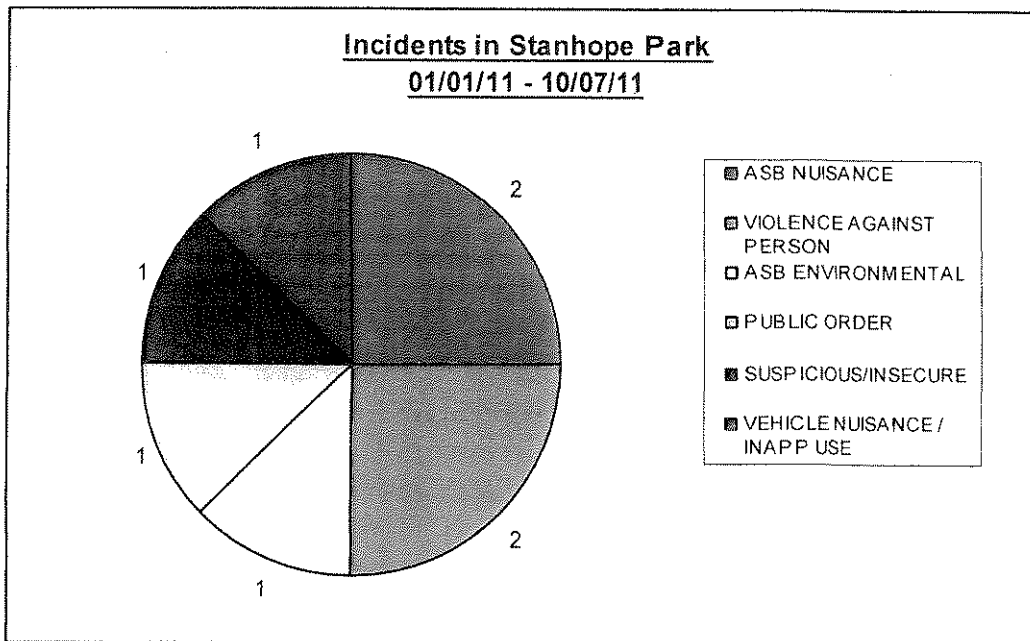
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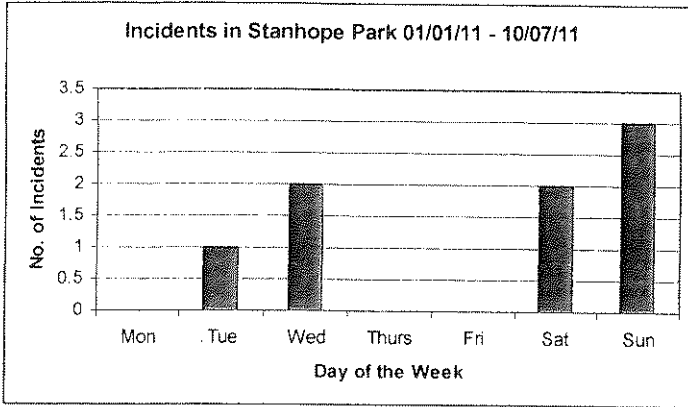


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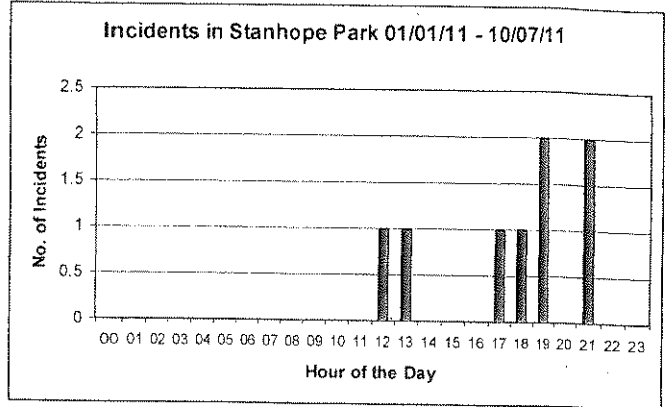
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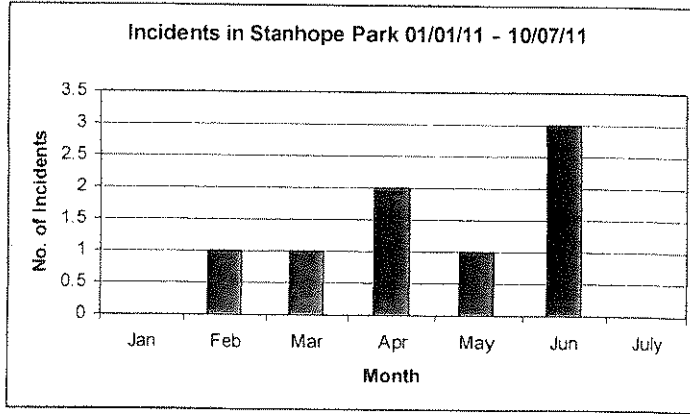
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LION HEAD PROPERTIES LTD
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9th January 2011

Dear Sirs

I am writing with regard to the problems we have had to endure with regard to the drinking of alcohol on the streets of Darlington town centre.

During the past several years we have served the Darlington public with our pavement café area. We have built up a reputation of running a respectable pavement café where people can enjoy café culture, cappuccinos, tapas and a glass of wine in Darlington town centre. We attract customers not only from Darlington, but from the surrounding towns and areas too.

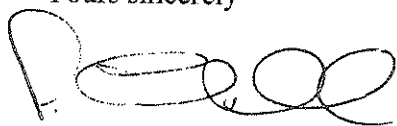
However, it has become increasingly troublesome with regard to an element that is drinking on the streets and benches close to our establishment. On one hand we have respectable people trying to enjoy Darlington's advertised café culture in our licensed terrace area and on the other hand only a few feet away, we have drunken individuals swearing, shouting, urinating and generally creating an image I am sure Darlington can do without. This is a frequent and regular occurrence. Our customers and non customers have commented on how this situation is spoiling their experience of coming into town to the point where it is deterring certain people from doing so.

If we could create an alcohol free area in our town centre it would help alleviate this problem and create a safer and more enjoyable atmosphere and help attract more people into town.

On a further note, in my capacity as Chairman of Darlington Pub Watch it has also been minuted in our meetings that the overall opinion of members, is that an alcohol free zone would only benefit and improve the the experience of coming into Darlington town centre, whether to shop or socialise.

Thank you for your attention

Yours sincerely



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Help us tackle alcohol related crime and disorder in Darlington

Please fill in this questionnaire to help us identify any alcohol related problems in Darlington. By doing so you will help us gather evidence to support a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO) for Darlington town centre. A DPPO will give Police and PCSO's the power to confiscate alcohol being consumed within the designated area if they believe it is causing disorder.

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- 1) Have you seen any alcohol related anti-social behaviour in Darlington in the last 12 months?
 Yes No

If you answered yes, where did it happen? (please tick all that apply)

- Outside your business premises/licensed area
 Inside your business premises/licensed area
 Within your neighborhood
 Another location (please specify)

What type of behaviour was it?

- Vandalism Graffiti Harassment
 Noise Urination Verbal abuse
 Refuse Other (please specify below)

- 2) Do you think drinking in the street is a problem in the area highlighted on the map overleaf?
 Yes No
- 3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)?
 Yes No

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

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Street in which you live DUKE STREET

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire



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Milk delivery stolen, bottles smashed, bins overturned etc.

2) Do you think drinking in the street is a problem in the area highlighted on the map overleaf?

- Yes (*occasionally*) No

3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)?

- Yes No

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

.....

Street in which you ^{work} live *Coniscliffe Road*

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 Yes No

- 3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)?
 Yes No

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

1. Unnecessary - behaviour is problem, not drinking
2. Infringement of basic human right
3. Difficulty and expense of enforcement

Street in which you live Larchfield Street

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 - Yes
 - No

If you answered yes, where did it happen? (please tick all that apply)

- Outside your business premises/licensed area
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- Within your neighborhood
- Another location (please specify) NORTH LODGE PARK

What type of behaviour was it?

- Vandalism
- Graffiti
- Harassment
- Noise
- Urination
- Verbal abuse
- Refuse
- Other (please specify below)

FIGHTING

ALCOHOL
THE PROBLEM IS SO BAD - IF WE COULD MOVE ~~HERE~~ TO ANOTHER AREA, WE WOULD NOT HESITATE.

- 2) Do you think drinking in the street is a problem in the area highlighted on the map overleaf?

- Yes
- No

THE AREA HIGHLIGHTED SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO MOST OF THE NORTH

- 3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)?

- Yes
- No

- GATE WARD

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

- SEE MAP OVER

..... IT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE

Street in which you live NORTH LODGE TERRACE..... TO INCLUDE

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire

THE HOSPITAL GROUNDS TOO TO PREVENT THE PROBLEM JUST MOVING ON...



NE AND MY CHILDREN'S SLEEP IS CONSTANTLY BROKEN BY DRUNKEN ARGUMENTS/FIGHTING IN THE PARK. THIS HAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED THEIR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE. THEY ARE FIGHTENED OF AND INTIMIDATED BY DRUNKEN ADULTS AND AS SUCH DO NOT USE FACILITIES WITHIN THE PARK OPPOSITE OUR HOME

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THE DESIGNATED AREA IS NOT EXTENSIVE ENOUGH.

I STRONGLY FEEL THAT MOST OF THE NORTH GATE WARD SHOULD BE INCLUDED ESPECIALLY CORPORATION ROAD WITH THE SCHOOL AND CHURCHES WHERE I HAVE SEEN PEOPLE ~~CONGREGATE~~ IN SMALL GROUPS DRINKING AND CAUSING A NUISANCE. ALSO ~~THE AREA~~ ~~WITH~~ ~~THE~~ FEEL THE HOSPITAL GROUNDS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR INCLUSION.

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- Yes No

3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)?

- Yes No

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

There are always various people in Duke Street as from first thing in the morning drinking alcohol. One of the Big Issue vendors is always drinking with someone in the street which defeats the object of having a Big Issue Vendor.

Street in which you live *Swinburne Road*
 Work in *Duke Street*

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire



Matters are not helped with people drinking and smoking weekly outside pubs in Skinnergate, Post House Wynd. do not let my children (13 & 14) go into town in afternoons in the strength of this; The alleyways where we park for work are always strewn with beer cans which suggests they are regular haunts for drinking sessions.

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Glass and bottles left all over car parks Beck Leines & streets which then get broken, which then become

2) Do you think drinking in the street is a problem in the area highlighted on the map overleaf? a hazard.

- Yes No

3) Do you support the proposal for a Designated Public Place Order (DPPPO)?

- Yes No

If you answered no, please give your reasons below:

.....

Street in which you live *NAPIER STREET*

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Northgate Community Partnership

17, Westbrook
Darlington
DL3 6TD

PC Karl Fairest
Re: DPPO

At the meeting of the Partnership on 13 July we reviewed our attitude to the situation regarding the complaints arising as a result of alcohol consumption in North Lodge Park- such as obscene language and behaviour, brawling and litter.

The PACT meeting had been informed about the proposal to seek a Designated Public Place Order which would include the Park.

It was unanimously agreed that the Partnership would wholeheartedly support such an order and that this support should be communicated to PC Karl Fairest.

We will help in any way we can to bring this DPPO into force so please do not hesitate to call on us.

John Curry
Secretary
07817906930

C/o North Lodge
Gladstone Street
Darlington
DL3 6JX

Monday 24th July 2011

Police Community Support Officer C. O'Brien
Darlington Safer Neighborhood
Central House Annex
Gladstone Street
Darlington
DL3 6TW

Dear Police Community Support Officer C. O'Brien,

Re: Concern about North Lodge Park

There is increasing concern amongst Darlington Council employees who work in North Lodge about North Lodge Park in terms of drug and alcohol related anti social behaviour. This includes:

- Broken glass
- Damage to trees and plants
- Drug paraphernalia
- Drunkenness
- Explicit sexual behaviour
- Exposure
- Graffiti
- Intimidation
- Litter
- Swearing
- Urinating
- Vandalism

Extract from some of the concerns raised are detailed below:

"I generally enjoy walking through the park and seeing it used by, and cared for, by a diverse group of people. Unfortunately I believe that everyone's enjoyment of the park must be spoiled by the behaviour of people who drink excessive amounts of alcohol and consequently behave inappropriately and leave damage and mess behind them.

In the morning as I walk through the park I see discarded take away wrappers and boxes, beer cans and broken bottles littering the park. During the day drunken people urinate against North Lodge building walls and most days I hear drunken shouting and swearing. Recent incidents include a man exposing himself and a man and woman hitting each other.

On the way home through the park there are often groups of people sitting drinking which can be intimidating as they get louder and more boisterous."

If North Lodge Park were to be made a Designated Public Place, the police would have more authority to ask people to stop drinking as non compliance would be an offence. This would help prevent some of the alcohol related anti social behaviour from occurring.

Yours sincerely,



North Lodge Darlington Council Employees

C/o Central House
Gladstone Street
Darlington
DL3 6JX

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Darlington Safer Neighborhood
Central House Annex
Gladstone Street
Darlington
DL3 6TW

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Extracts from some of the concerns raised are detailed below:

"I must say every morning, I walk to work, there are beer, cider bottles all over the place. There is generally other litter as well, fast food wrappers and the like. The other morning there were 3 males sat on a bench at 08:15 drinking cans of stella. Although they were not abusive the park is used by children and I do not feel this is appropriate. Also on an evening there has recently been groups of people sat round on the benches. Although these are adults they can seem intimidating for other people and again children are in the park who are able to see this behaviour. I believe that the park should be a place where children are able to play and be free seeing abuse of alcohol."

"I am sick of walking through a park that is full of litter mainly empty lager cans and rubbish not to mention the number of broken bottles that are there some mornings. Which is a main worry due to the number of children/dogs that use the park. I also am sometimes wary of walking through the park as there are often gangs of people sat on the benches and can usually guarantee that a comment is made as I pass "

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Yours sincerely,

Central House Darlington Council Employees





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FRIENDS OF NORTH LODGE PARK

(Registered Charity 1103497)

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2 August 2011

Karl Fairest
Darlington Police
Central House
Gladstone Street
Darlington

Dear Karl Fairest

RESTRICTING ALCOHOL IN THE PARK

We understand that you are collecting evidence of the nuisance caused by drinking in North Lodge Park. The Friends have a number of members who live very near the Park and also who use the Park daily to walk dogs. We also organise about 10 public events a year in the Park and members are also present on a regular basis doing maintenance work. We have worked for the past 10 years to keep the Park a nice place to visit and to encourage wider use.

The amount of drinking by some groups of people for long periods has become very noticeable over the past two years.

- This leads to drunkenness and is unpleasant for other people.
- They leave their bottles, cans and cigarette litter behind them for someone else to clear up.
- They use the Park as a toilet.
- This kind of behaviour makes the Park an unattractive place for people to visit, and in particular for children to play in. This is particularly unfortunate as the Park is surrounded by about 1,500 terraced homes which have no gardens. It also attracts other drinkers.
- We have noticed this year that when we do our regular gardening session at the main Northgate entrance small groups of habitual drinkers are normally present drinking beer from cans and calling to their friends. This has not happened in previous years when we have been gardening.

- We had our usual Park Birthday Party on 3 July which was very well attended on a hot day and security were employed. People were drinking in the park when we arrived at 10.30 am. Some of the chairs we put out for the public were broken by people who were drinking.
- On 7 August we had a music event in the bandstand. A group of drinkers started fighting. Fortunately there were police officers present and the situation was swiftly dealt with.
- In July we had a Theatre Group performing Loves Labours Lost on the fountain field. A small group of drinkers with their dog joined the audience. The dog was not under control and they were interrupting the performance. Fortunately there was a police presence because of a possible EDL March so the situation was again dealt with, but it was not pleasant and could have been much more difficult had the police not been at hand.

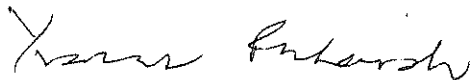
The drinking and drug taking also spills over into the surrounding area:-

- A group of about 10 drinkers use the small green in front of Southgate House, Archer Street which is normally littered with bottles and cans.
- Recently a person was using drugs in the back lane of a house at the top of Thornton Street, just down from Gladstone Street, and was then heard to be directed to a place further down the lane where they could defecate. This was extremely upsetting for the person who heard this who has poor health.
- The JUC Club at the top of Kendrew Street Car Park has problems with drunken people congregating around their property. They may well be writing separately about this.
- About a month ago a person under the influence of some substance tried to enter North Lodge to use the toilet. He then used a toilet in Central House and left a mess of blood and water.

This is information from a small sample of people which perhaps means there is a great deal more evidence if a wider sample was taken.

Do get in touch with us if we can help further.

Yours sincerely



Yvonne Richardson
Committee Member

on many time I have been to the Park, I have had to remove alcohol bottles, broken glass, and there is always groups of people sitting or hanging around the Park, drunk or drinking, on occasion we have had to move away from people fighting, swearing for the safety of the children

There has been several times that drunken people have been sat in the park or in the hut near the nursery. In most occasions the people are drinking and can be very intimidating. They are often loud and aggressive shouting making it difficult getting the children to the park trying to avoid them. We have also had to clear the park of bottles and cans before the children are able to play.

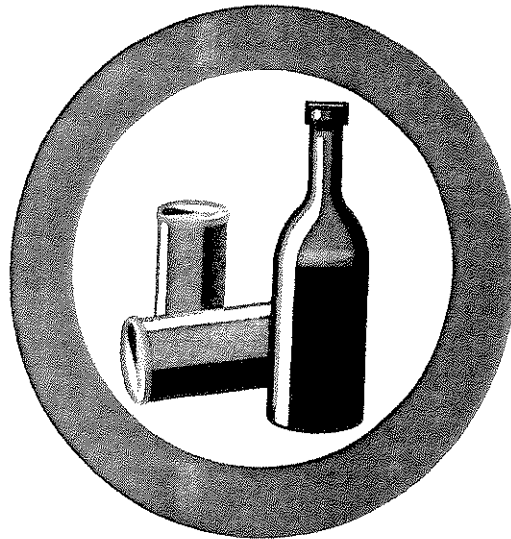
On various visits to the park I have noticed on numerous occasions that there has been people - both men and women who are sat on the grass/benches drunk and have alcohol around them. Many times I have had to remove alcohol bottles from the park so my children can play safely and away from harm.

I don't think this is the right environment for a family behaviour - people falling around or asleep on a park bench.

On one occasion I saw a lady trying to 'go to the toilet' and was too drunk to pull the trousers down and fell over and fell asleep.

This is not an environment for children - at times I feel very uncomfortable taking my children here.

YOU ARE IN A DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE



If you continue to drink alcohol in this area when asked not to do so by a police officer, police community support officer or a community safety warden, you may be issued with a penalty notice for disorder.

If you continue to drink alcohol in this area when asked not to do so by a police officer you may be liable on conviction to a maximum fine of £500

You may be arrested by a police officer if you fail to surrender any intoxicating liquor to a police officer in this area.



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