

E-Petition against Late Night Noise & Disturbance

E-Petition detail for the Council to resolve the issue of Residents suffering with alcohol-related Late Night disturbance from noise nuisance, crime and disorder outside their Homes each and every night of the week.

We the undersigned petition the Council to instigates an ADZ under The Local Authorities (Alcohol Disorder Zones) Regulations 2008.

Residents Statutory Rights

The 'Crime & Disorder Act 1998 Section 17'
UK & European Environmental Law
Human Rights Act 1998
The right of peaceful enjoyment of your property

Information in support

- That there has been considerable noise nuisance plus annoyance to local residents each and every night of the week.
- That the noise, disorder plus annoyance is directly related to consumption of alcohol in the area.
- That this noise nuisance, annoyance and disorder is more than likely to be repeated, this is supported by residents noise diaries over a period of 4 years.
- That all existing measures have failed to reduce alcohol-related noise nuisance, crime and disorder.
- That this is now causing many residents sleepless nights with the resultant Health problems of
 - a) diminished quality of sleep
 - b) sleep disorder
 - c) extreme tiredness
 - d) irritability
 - e) depression
 - f) behavioural deviation
 - g) inability to concentrate, indecisiveness
 - h) stress-related psychological problems
 - i) communication difficulties
 - j) permanent stress during these noise concentration outbreaks

Other statements in the Public domain in support.

- Late night disturbance in Camelford Street reported to City Council Licensing Committee.
- That David Derrick Central NPT Inspector has stated in other situations in the City that "disturbing the peace of all residents who cannot sleep, then clearly we are duty bound to intervene"
- Street Notices Posted by Police & Safe in the City in Princes Street, "QUIET please keep noise down to a minimum late at night in this area" fixed 7 foot up a lamppost. How these are to be read and obeyed by singing drunks is yet to be proved even if they are singing at 90db, "*silent night holy night*".

What is an Alcohol Disorder Zones Regulations 2008.

Simply, an ADZ is designed to help local authorities and the police tackle high levels of alcohol-related nuisance, crime and disorder that cannot be directly attributed to individual licensed premises. They are only used in tightly defined areas and as a last resort, when other tools and measures have failed to resolve the problem.

In designating an ADZ, B&HCC will have to adhere to the following step-by-step guide;

Step 1 Proposal where existing measures have failed to reduce alcohol-related nuisance, crime and disorder the local authority gathers any additional evidence required supporting an ADZ.

Step 2 Consultation The local authority will publish a notice setting out details of the proposed ADZ and invite responses within 28 days.

Step 3 Amendment B&HCC will publish the response to consultation, highlighting any changes to the initial proposal. It then will make a final decision on whether to designate an ADZ.

Step 4 Action Plan B&HCC will then send out an action plan to all license-holders in the proposed ADZ, then monitor the impact of preventative measures on alcohol-related nuisances, crime and disorder.

Step 5 Designation if the Action Plan fails to have a positive impact, the local authority notifies all licence-holders that an ADZ is coming into force and will start levying charges.

Licence-holders will then pay charges in relation to their Rates for late night Policing

Step 6 Review B&HCC will review ADZ every 3 months. It can be revoked at any time.

But what needs to be appreciated is that if an ADZ is enforced then it is not just to the benefit of the Residents but also a benefit to the customers and clients of those Licensed Premises as they can attend these venues late at night knowing that the area is Policed. **Safe in the City.**

Please also email your Local Noise and Disorder Problems to the City Council referring it to this Late Night Noise and Disorder Petition.