



InfoSheet 04



Anti-Social Behaviour

The Problem

Antisocial behaviour is any intimidating or threatening activity that scares a person or damages their quality of life. Examples of antisocial behaviour includes:

Rowdy, noisy behaviour, Vandalism and graffiti, Dealing or buying drugs on the street, Setting off fireworks late at night.

Nottinghamshire Police recognises that antisocial behaviour is an important issue to individuals and communities. The impact of persistent nuisance or harassment can be worse than that of a single crime as, due to the wider impact on a victim's life, their health, mental and emotional well-being can suffer.

The Solution

The police have 6 powers to deal with different aspects of Anti-Social Behaviour:

Civil injunctions - positive requirements to get an individual to deal with the underlying causes of their behaviour.

Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) used once an individual has been convicted of a criminal offence.

Community Protection Notice (CPN) issued to deal with a particular problem negatively affecting the community (eg litter, graffiti, noise)

Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) provides councils with a flexible power to put into place local restrictions, to address various ASB issues in public places.

Closure power A Closure Notice can be issued for up to 48hrs, and can be followed by a Closure Order

Police Dispersal Powers Enables Police Officers to require a person whose behaviour has caused, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm or distress to leave a specified area and not return for a set period of up to 48 hours.

The Process

How should I report antisocial behaviour?

In an emergency: Call 999 only if life is at risk or a crime is in progress or use the emergency SMS text messaging service if you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired.

In any other situation: The 101 non-emergency number is the ideal way to report ongoing problems of antisocial behaviour.

Call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. (Crimestoppers is not the police - it's an independent charity helping to find criminals and solve crimes.)

Contact your neighbourhood policing team <https://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/neighbourhood/radford-park>

Community triggers

Community Triggers enable victims of antisocial behaviour to request a multi-agency review of their case once certain criteria are met. They are designed to ensure local organisations work together to resolve a complaint and not to replace individual organisations' own complaints procedures.

For information on how to request a community trigger, <https://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/complaints/trigger>

On-line complaints procedure

<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/reportantisocial>