

# REPRESENTATIONS ON REVIEW APPLICATION

Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road,  
Birtley, Co Durham, DH3 1EE

## Representations on a Current Application for a Grant/Variation/Review of a Premises Licence or Club Premises Certificate under The Licensing Act 2003

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I/We (Insert name) Licensing Authority

Wish to make representation about the application for variation/grant for a premises licence/club premises certificate (delete as applicable)

### PART 1 – PREMISES OR CLUB PREMISES DETAILS

<b>Postal Address of Premises or Club Premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b>	
Ravensworth Food Market 3 Ravensworth Road Birtley	
<b>Post Town</b> Gateshead	<b>Post Code</b> DH3 1EE

<b>Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)</b>
Susan McAlear

<b>Number of premises licence or club premise certificate (if known)</b>
00CH03017

### PART 2 – DETAILS OF PERSON MAKING REPRESENTATION

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| 1) | A responsible authority (please complete (C) below)                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) | A member of the club to which this representation relates (please complete (A) below) | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 3) | Other persons (Please complete (A) or (B) below)                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL MAKING REPRESENTATION (fill in as applicable)**

Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms  Other Title (for example, Rev)

Surname

First Names

I am 18 years old or over

Yes  (Please Tick)

Current Address			
Post Town		Post Code	

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

**(B) DETAILS OF OTHER PARTY MAKING REPRESENTATION (e.g Body or Business)**

Name and Address
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Telephone Number (If any)	
E-Mail address (optional)	

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY MAKING REPRESENTATION**

Name and Address
Licensing Authority
Civic Centre
Regent Street
Gateshead
NE8 1HH

Telephone Number (If any)	0191 433 4741
E-Mail address (optional)	Licensing@gateshead.gov.uk

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)

Please  
Tick ✓

1. **The Prevention of Crime and Disorder**
2. **Public Safety**
3. **The Prevention of Public Nuisance**
4. **The Protection of Children From Harm**



**Please state the ground(s) for representation** (please read guidance note 1)

The above premises were subject to a review application in 2015 following the sale of alcohol to a child under the age of 18.

At that time there was some confusion regarding the ownership and management of the premises and it was felt that this, evidenced by the illegal sale of alcohol, raised significant concerns that the confused and ineffective management arrangements were undermining the licensing objectives.

The review hearing heard evidence that the DPS would take personal responsibility for the effective management of the premises and to secure compliance with the requirements of the Licence.

A variation to the Licence was made in to add a suite of conditions to the Licence (a full list is attached as Annex 1, a number of conditions are relevant to this review application, the condition most relevant is:

2. An age verification scheme such as A 'Challenge 25' policy as a minimum shall be adopted, implemented and maintained ensuring that all members of staff are trained to refuse sales to anyone who appears to be under the age of 25 and who is seeking to purchase any age restricted product unless that person provides credible photographic proof of age evidence. Such credible evidence, which shall include a photograph of the customer, will either be a Proof of Age card carrying a 'PASS' logo, passport or photographic driving licence. No other evidence of age and identity may be accepted.

Now, despite those assurances and the additional conditions (including the above), a further illegal sale has taken place, no ID was requested and upon investigation once more confused and ineffective management arrangements have been uncovered. Clearly this is unacceptable.

To complicate matters a third party has contacted the Licensing Authority purporting to be the owner of the business in connection with the Licence, this person is neither the DPS nor premises licence holder and this raises further concerns regarding the management arrangements at the premises.

**Please provide as much information as possible to support the representation**

(Please read guidance note 2)

The Licensing Authority reserves the right to produce and submit whatever further information that is considered relevant to the review application in accordance with the Regulations.

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Signature	Licensing Authority	Date	30/11/17
Capacity	For and on behalf of the Licensing Authority		

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this representation. (Please read guidance note 5)	
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Telephone Number (if any)	
E-mail Address (optional)	

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Tel: 0191 433 3918 or 0191 433 3178

## Rebecca L Sparrow

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**From:** Saira Park  
**Sent:** 30 November 2017 18:52  
**To:** Rebecca L Sparrow  
**Subject:** Review application - Ravensworth food market

The LSCB support the review of the premises licence at Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE submitted by Gateshead Council's Weights and Measures Authority. LSCB have concerns about the licensing objectives are being undermined, in particular the protection of children from harm. Further details will be provided.

**Saira Park | LSCB Business Manager | Health and Social Care Commissioning and Quality Assurance | Care, Wellbeing and Learning | Gateshead Council**

Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead, NE8 1HH | t: (0191) 433 8010 |





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I/We (Insert name)

Wish to make representation about the application for variation/grant for a premises licence/club premises certificate (delete as applicable)

**PART 1 – PREMISES OR CLUB PREMISES DETAILS**

<b>Postal Address of Premises or Club Premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b> Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE.	
<b>Post Town</b> Chester-le-Street	<b>Post Code</b> DH3 1EE

<b>Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)</b> Susan McAlear
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<b>Number of premises licence or club premise certificate (if known)</b> 00CH 03017
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**PART 2 – DETAILS OF PERSON MAKING REPRESENTATION**

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|--|-------------------------------------|
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| 2) A member of the club to which this representation relates (please complete (A) below) | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 3) Other persons (Please complete (A) or (B) below)                                      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL MAKING REPRESENTATION (fill in as applicable)**

Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms  Other Title (for example, Rev)

Surname

First Names

I am 18 years old or over Yes  (Please Tick)

Current Address	<input type="text"/>		
Post Town	<input type="text"/>	Post Code	<input type="text"/>

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

**(B) DETAILS OF OTHER PARTY MAKING REPRESENTATION (e.g Body or Business)**

Name and Address
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Telephone Number (If any)	<input type="text"/>
E-Mail address (optional)	<input type="text"/>

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY MAKING REPRESENTATION**

Body responsible for the protection of children from harm Saira Park, Local Safeguarding Children Board Business Manager LSCB Business Unit 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Civic Centre Regent Street, Gateshead NE8 1HH
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Telephone Number (If any)	(0191) 433 8010
E-Mail address (optional)	sairapark@gateshead.gov.uk

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)

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| 1. The Prevention of Crime and Disorder | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 2. Public Safety                        | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 3. The Prevention of Public Nuisance    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 4. The Protection of Children From Harm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**Please state the ground(s) for representation**

Gateshead Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) is concerned that the licensable activities taking place at Ravensworth Food Market are not in accordance with the promotion of another licensing objective, which is the protection of children from harm.

It has come to the attention of Gateshead LSCB that there is evidence to suggest that underage sales of alcohol have taken place at Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, thereby demonstrating a failure to promote the licensing objective to protect children from harm. On 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017 alcohol was sold to a 15 year old child volunteer, contrary to section 146(1) of the Licensing Act 2003. The 15 year old was able to purchase four cans of Fosters lager from the store.

**Please provide as much information as possible to support the representation**

Gateshead Local Safeguarding Children Board, the body responsible for the protection of children from harm, is concerned that the licensable activities are not in accordance with the promotion of the licensing objectives, one of which is the protection of children from harm. The protection of children and young people has always been a core commitment of all partners who work together in Gateshead to keep them safe.

Gateshead Council's Trading Standards Service carries out test purchase operations using child volunteers to check the compliance of retailers selling age restricted products such as alcohol. The Service follows agreed guidelines when carrying out these operations.

The LSCB has received information that On 24th October 2017 a test purchase operation was carried out by officers from Gateshead Trading Standards using a 15 year old child volunteer. The volunteer was instructed to attempt to buy alcohol from Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley. The child volunteer was sold four cans of Fosters lager by Linda Holt who was working at the store at the time. The premises licence holder is Susan McAlear who is also one of the owners in the business. The designated premises supervisor is Mr Yassar Khaliq. Linda Holt asked the volunteer the following 'you are 18 aren't you?' the volunteer replied 'yes'. When the officer returned to the shop to advise Linda Holt of the sale, she said to the officer 'you heard me ask if he was 18', the officer replied 'yes, but they lie'. Linda Holt did not ask the volunteer for ID. During the test purchase, the volunteer attempted to purchase alcohol from ten premises and was refused on eight occasions.

The LSCB is aware of previous representation relating to the premises:

On 16 June 2006, Local Weights and Measures Authority Trading Standards submitted an application to the Licensing Authority to review the premises licence for Ravensworth Food Market. The grounds for the review were 'Mohammed Shafiq, who has identified himself as a partner in the business with sole responsibility for the Ravensworth Food Store was found guilty of selling and storing counterfeit cigarettes'. This was contrary to the licensing objective of the prevention of crime and disorder.

On 6 October 2015 Local Weights and Measures Authority Trading Standards submitted an application to the Licensing Authority to review the premises licence for Ravensworth Food Market. The grounds for the review were 'on 11 December 2014 Mohammed Shafiq, a partner in the business, sold 4 cans of Carlsberg lager to a 15 year old volunteer, contrary to the Licensing Act 2003.

LSCBs are the key statutory mechanism for protecting children from harm and agreeing how the relevant organisations in each local area will cooperate to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, and for ensuring the effectiveness of what they do.

Gateshead LSCB is made up of a number of statutory partners including Gateshead Council, Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust, Newcastle Gateshead CCG, North East Ambulance Service, Northumberland,

Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust, Northumbria CRC, Northumbria Police, Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Service and CAFCASS.

Access to alcohol by young people and the resulting crime and disorder is a significant community problem that impacts on crime, and the fear of crime, within many areas of the Borough as well as being an issue that puts children and young people at risk themselves. The vision of Gateshead LSCB is that every child should grow up in a loving and secure environment, which is free from abuse, neglect and crime, enabling them to enjoy good health and fulfil their social and educational potential. Evidence suggests that binge drinking in adolescence could limit opportunities for this to occur and therefore the LSCB is keen to ensure that licensees restrict access to alcohol by underage drinkers and have processes in place to ensure the protection of children from harm.

Research suggests that the adolescent brain may be uniquely sensitive to alcohol's effects due to the major changes in brain structure and function that occur during this developmental period. Studies have found that binge drinking by youths is also associated with alcohol-related violence and other anti-social behaviours. A UK study found that binge drinking in adolescence was associated with an increased risk of health, social, educational and economic adversity continuing into later adult life. Alcohol intoxication can occur during binge drinking and the acute toxic effects are generally related to blood alcohol concentrations. There is evidence to suggest that the severe hypoglycaemia (low blood sugar) that can accompany alcohol intoxication and may result in coma occurs more commonly in adolescents than adults. Deaths from alcohol poisoning appear to occur most often when relatively inexperienced drinkers consume very large amounts of alcohol in a short time

**The information above would appear to suggest that Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, is not complying with the licensing objective of the protection of children from harm. Licence objectives and laws are not being followed and children in Gateshead are at risk because of this.**

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Signature		Date	30.12.17
Capacity	Saira Park, LSCB Business Manager		

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this representation. (Please read guidance note 5)	
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I/We (Insert name) Alice Wiseman

Wish to make representation about the application for variation/grant for a premises licence/club premises certificate (delete as applicable)

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**Postal Address of Premises or Club Premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description**

Ravensworth Food Market  
3 Ravensworth Road  
Birtley

**Post Town** Chester-le-Street

**Post Code** DH3 1EE

**Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known)**

Susan MCALEAR

**Number of premises licence or club premise certificate (if known)**

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Name and Address	<input type="text"/>
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Telephone Number (If any)	<input type="text"/>
E-Mail address (optional)	<input type="text"/>

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY MAKING REPRESENTATION**

Name and Address	Alice Wiseman Director of Public Health Gateshead Council Regent Street Gateshead NE8 1HH
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Telephone Number (If any)	0191 433 2777
E-Mail address (optional)	<input type="text"/>

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)

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| 1. | <b>The Prevention of Crime and Disorder</b> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 2. | <b>Public Safety</b>                        | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 3. | <b>The Prevention of Public Nuisance</b>    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 4. | <b>The Protection of Children From Harm</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**Please state the ground(s) for representation** (please read guidance note 1)

This representation is made in my capacity as Director of Public Health for the Borough of Gateshead. The Director of Public Health in Gateshead is concerned that the licensable activities taking place at Gateshead's Ravensworth Food Market are not in accordance with the promotion of the licensing objectives, one of which is 'The protection of children from harm.'

It has come to the attention of the Public Health Team that there is evidence to suggest that underage sales of alcohol have taken place at Ravensworth Food Market, thereby demonstrating a failure to promote the licensing objective to protect children from harm. On 24 October 2017 Gateshead Council Trading Standards carried out a test purchase operation using a 15 year old child volunteer who was sold a 4 pack of Fosters larger by Linda Holt at Ravensworth Food Market.

Since 2013 Directors of Public Health have been 'responsible authorities' under the Licensing Act 2003. The role of the Director of Public Health is to help promote the health and wellbeing of the local populations they serve. The Public Health approach to alcohol is to encourage and promote responsible drinking and protect young people from related harm. This is an expansive remit that influences a wide range of circumstances, including local licensing arrangements. Similarly the licensing regime is concerned with the promotion of the licensing objectives, which collectively seek to protect the quality of life for those who live, and work in the vicinity of licensed premises, and those who socialise in licensed premises.

This representation is made in respect of the review of the premises licence for Ravensworth Food Market. I am seriously concerned that conditions outlined in the application are not sufficiently proactive in promoting the licensing objectives.

I am particularly concerned that the arrangements to prevent underage sales are not sufficiently robust and therefore fail to protect children from harm. The sale to a minor demonstrates that the checks and balances in place are not rigorous enough and could also lead to a significantly heightened risk of proxy sales, due to the lack of care being taken to check the authenticity and age of the person buying the alcohol.

It is also my concern that the measures put in place following previous convictions on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2006 and 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014 are not being adhered to.

The sale of alcohol to children leads to a negative impact on the children that consume the alcohol and on those who live and work in the vicinity of the premises. Alcohol can have a significant impact on the health of young people and alcohol related harm remains one of the biggest health problems. Research suggests that alcohol can affect the developing brain in early adolescence, and this is also the age when some young people are particularly vulnerable to risk taking. The Healthy Child Programme (2010) states that 50% of adolescent binge drinkers are more likely to be dependent on alcohol or misusing substances when they reach the age of 30. Alcohol misuse in adolescence has been linked to Poorer memory, increased risk of addiction in later life, impaired ability to understand the physical world. The Chief Medical Officer issues Guidance on the Consumption of Alcohol by Children and Young People- advising that an alcohol free childhood is the healthiest and best option. Public Health evidence suggests adolescents are less likely to try and avoid harm than any other age groups and therefore more likely to go on to binge drink and experience alcohol use disorders and therefore the Director of Public Health is keen to ensure that licenses restrict



access to alcohol by underage drinkers and have processes in place to ensure the protection of children from harm.

The latest available data from Public Health England (2013/14-2015/16) for admissions rate for Gateshead, is higher than the England average for the rate of young people under 18 who are admitted to hospital because they have a condition wholly related to alcohol such as alcohol overdose. The North East has the highest rate of under 18 hospital admissions in England. In Gateshead there have been 80 alcohol specific hospital admissions for under 18's (2013/14-2015/16).

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(Please read guidance note 2)

The Director of Public Health as a responsible authority under the Licensing Act 2003 since 2013, is concerned that the licensable activities are not in accordance with the promotion of the licensing objectives, one of which is the protection of children from harm.

A test purchase operation was undertaken by officers from Gateshead Trading Standards using a 15 year old child volunteer on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017. The volunteer was sold 4 cans of Fosters lager by Linda Holt. Mrs Holt asked 'you are 18 aren't you?' but failed to ask for identification.

**The Director of Public Health shares the concerns raised by Trading Standards that, as a result of the above sale and the failure of systems in place at the shop on the day of the sale, the premises is not complying with the licensing objective of the protection of children from harm, licence conditions continue to be ignored and children in Gateshead are at risk because of this.**

Please  
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Have you made any representation relating to these premises before?

If Yes, please state the date of that representation

Day		Month		Year			
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If you have made representation before relating to this premises please state what they were and when you made them.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015 the Director of Public Health submitted a representation following a failed test purchase. This test purchase operation was carried out by Trading Standards, in conjunction with Northumbria Police, on 11 December 2014 using a 15 year old child volunteer who was able to purchase alcohol from Ravensworth Food Market and was not challenged to produce ID to prove his age.

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Signature		Date	30/11/2017
Capacity	Director of Public Health		

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## Rebecca L Sparrow

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**From:** Licensing Mailbox <licensing@northumbria.pnn.police.uk>  
**Sent:** 30 November 2017 16:03  
**To:** CE Licensing^  
**Subject:** RE: Review applicaiton- Licensing Act 2003- Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE.

Northumbria Police would like to make representations in support of to the review of the premises licence at Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE.

The premises failed to promote the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder and protection of children from harm.

Grounds are clearly set in the review application submitted by Gateshead Council – Weights and Measures Authority.

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**From:** D&E Licensing [mailto:Licensing@Gateshead.Gov.UK]

**Sent:** 02 November 2017 16:08

**To:** Peter Wright; Stewart Sorrell; Tracey Johnson; Emma Lucas; 'licensing@northumbria.pnn.police.uk'; 'firesafety.licensing@twfire.gov.uk'; Joy Evans; Alice Wiseman; John Bradley; Lynn Wilson; Saira Park; Paul Christer  
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**Subject:** Review applicaiton- Licensing Act 2003- Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE.

Dear All,

Please find below information regarding an application for the Review of a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003. Responsible Authorities should have already received copies of the application via email. If you haven't yet received your copy please let me know.

Application for the Review of a Premises Licence

Applicant: Gateshead Council Local Weights and Measures Authority

Applicant Contact Details: Tracey Johnson, Trading Standards Assistant Manager: 0191 433 3934 or [traceyjohnson@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:traceyjohnson@gateshead.gov.uk)

Premises & Address: Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road, Birtley, DH3 1EE.

## Representations On A Current Application of a Review of a Premises Licence Under The Licensing Act 2003

**Before completing this form please read the Guidance Notes at the end of the form**

If you are completing this form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink. Use additional sheets if necessary. You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form for your records.

I (Insert name)

Northumbria Police

Wish to make representation about the application for variation/grant for a premises licence/club premises certificate (delete as applicable)

### PART 1 – PREMISES OR CLUB PREMISES DETAILS

<b>Postal Address of Premises or Club Premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description</b>	
Ravenworth Food Market, 3 Ravenworth Road, Birtley	
<b>Post Town</b> Gateshead	<b>Post Code</b> DH3 1EE

<b>Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate</b> Susan McAlear
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<b>Number of premises licence or club premise certificate</b> 00CH03017
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### PART 2 – DETAILS OF PERSON MAKING REPRESENTATION

I am

Please  
Tick ✓

- |    |   |                          |
|----|---|--------------------------|
| 1) | an interested party (please complete (A) or (B) below)                                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|    | a) a person living in the vicinity of the premises                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|    | b) a body representing persons living in the vicinity of the premises                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|    | c) a person involved in business in the vicinity of the premises                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|    | d) a body representing persons involved in business in the vicinity of the premises   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) | a responsible authority (please complete (C) below)                                   | 4.                       |
| 3) | a member of the club to which this representation relates (please complete (A) below) | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**(A) DETAILS OF INDIVIDUAL MAKING REPRESENTATION (fill in as applicable)**

Mr  Mrs  Miss  Ms  Other Title (for example, Rev)

Surname

First Names

I am 18 years old or over

Yes

(Please Tick)

Current Address			
Post Town		Post Code	

Daytime contact telephone number

E-mail address (optional)

**(B) DETAILS OF OTHER PARTY MAKING REPRESENTATION (e.g Body or Business)**

Name and Address
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Telephone Number (If any)	
E-Mail address (optional)	

**(C) DETAILS OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY MAKING REPRESENTATION**

Name and Address Central Area Command (Gateshead) Eldon Square, Floor 1 Central Management Office Eldon Court, Percy Street Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7JB
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Telephone Number (If any)	101
E-Mail address (optional)	

This representation relates to the following licensing objective(s)

- |  |               |
|--|---------------|
|  | Please Tick ✓ |
| 1. <b>the prevention of crime and disorder</b> | 4             |
| 2. <b>public safety</b>                        |               |
| 3. <b>the prevention of public nuisance</b>    |               |
| 4. <b>the protection of children from harm</b> | 4             |

NORTHUMBRIA POLICE are in support of the premises licence review instigated by Gateshead Council – Local Weights and Measures Authority. The licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder and protection of children from harm are not being upheld.

The Application  
 Application for a review of the premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003 by Gateshead Council - Local Weights and Measures Authority on 02/11/17.

Grounds  
 On 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Mrs Linda HOLT sold four cans of Fosters lager to a 15 year old volunteer, contrary to section 146(1) of the Licensing Act 2003.

Police support of the review  
 On 6<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Gateshead Council – Local Weights and Measures Authority applied for a review of the premises licence following a sale of alcohol made to a 15 year old volunteer by Mohammed SHAFIQ who identified himself as the business partner. Northumbria Police was in support of this review. This review application resulted in a minor variation of the premises licence being submitted by the premises licence holder Susan McAlear. The premises licence holder added a list of stringent conditions including Challenge 25 policy and documented staff training were added to the premises licence.

On 16 June 2006 Gateshead Council – Local Weights and Measures Authority applied for a review of the premises licence after Mohammed SHAFIQ was found guilty of selling and storing counterfeit cigarettes.

Northumbria Police wish to support the review process as the licensing objectives of prevention of crime and disorder and protection of children from harm are being undermined.

Please Tick

Have you made any representation relating to these premises before?

Day		Month		Year			
0	3	1	1	2	0	1	5

If Yes, please state the date of that representation

If you have made representation before relating to this premises please state what they were and when you made them

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## How We Collect And Use Information

The information collected, on this form and from supporting evidence, by Gateshead Council will be used to process your application. The information may be passed to other Enforcement Agencies as permitted by law.

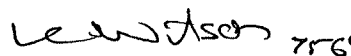
We may check information provided by you, or information about you provided by a third party, with other information held by us. We may also get information from certain third parties, or give information to them to check the accuracy of information, to prevent or detect crime, or to protect public funds in other ways, as permitted by law. These third parties include Government Departments and local authorities.

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### Part 3 – Signatures (Please read guidance note 3)

Signature of representative or representative's solicitor or other duly authorised agent. (See guidance note 4) If signing on behalf of the representative please state in what capacity.

Signature		Date	30 <sup>th</sup> November 2017
Capacity	Karl Wilson Chief Inspector 7569		

Contact name (where not previously given) and address for correspondence associated with this representation. (Please read guidance note 5)

Ivana Draper  
Licensing Co-ordinator 6544

Post Town	Post Code
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Telephone Number (if any)	0191/221 9234
E-mail Address (optional)	licensing@northumbria.pnn.police.uk

### Notes for Guidance

1. The ground(s) for representation **must** be based on one or more of the licensing objectives.
2. Please list any additional information or details for example dates of problems, which are included in the grounds for representation, if applicable.
3. The representation form must be signed.
4. A representative's agent (for example solicitor) may sign the form on their behalf provided that they have actual authority to do so.
5. This is the address which we shall use to correspond with you about this representation.
6. For further information about the Licensing Act 2003 please contact: The Licensing Act Section, Regulatory Services, Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead Tyne and Wear NE8 1HH  
Tel: 0191 4333957 or 433 2297

**Additional documents provided by Northumbria  
Police**

Ravensworth Food Market, 3 Ravensworth Road,  
Birtley, Co Durham, DH3 1EE



<b>WITNESS STATEMENT</b>		Form MG11T
(CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3) (a) and 5B; MC Rules 1981, r.70)		
Statement of :	<b>Inspector 7293 Michael Robson</b>	
Age if under 18:	<b>Over 18</b>	(if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: <b>Police Inspector 7293</b>
This statement (consisting of _____ page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.		
Signature:	Date: <b>5<sup>th</sup> December 2017</b>	
Tick if witness is visually recorded <input type="checkbox"/> (supply witness details on rear)		

I am the Neighbourhood Police Inspector for Central Gateshead. Within my role, I am responsible for crime and disorder issues within Gateshead, including Birtley. I also have policing responsibility for licensing matters.

The Ravensworth Road area of Birtley has suffered in recent years from disorder associated with young people and alcohol. This is reflected repeatedly in Safer Community Surveys carried out by Northumbria Police, Gateshead Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner. The most recent survey dated September 2017 (Exhibit MR1), highlighted the area as one of the worst for drunken and rowdy behaviour within the Northumbria Police area. Residents complain of large groups of people gathering as well as noise and litter issues linked to alcohol consumption. Police officers patrolling the area often find evidence of alcohol fuelled disorder.

This issue constantly crops up at meetings with local businesses, residents and local Councilors. Within the Birtley area, several members of the public have spoken to me and my staff regarding large groups, causing damage, using foul and abusive language, noise and litter problems. George Street park and the Skateboard park on Ravensworth Road are particular hotspots within this area. Consumption of excessive alcohol by people and the resulting crime and disorder is a significant community problem that impacts on crime, and the fear of crime, within many areas of the Borough as well as being an issue that puts children and young people at risk themselves. Significant public nuisance is also caused when groups congregate in the local area in the ready expectation of obtaining alcohol.

In order to combat this issue, Police resources have been deployed in the area. In order to provide reassurance to the local community, more specialist police resources have been deployed. For example, in July and August 2017, Mounted Police Officers were deployed in the area of Ravensworth Road to deter anti social behaviour and provide a very visible police presence in the area (Exhibit MR2).

The area around Ravensworth Road continues to be a concern in regard to increasing levels of anti social behaviour (Exhibit MR3).

There are no licensing conditions available which would allow the Police and other responsible authorities to be satisfied that the method of operation proposed by the Applicant will not undermine the Licensing Objectives.

Northumbria Police object to the transfer of this licence to the applicant and the variation in the Designated Premises Supervisor on the basis that the licensing objectives will be undermined and to prevent crime and disorder.

Signature		Signature witnessed by	
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# Public Insight Report

## *Safer Communities Survey*

*12 months to September 2017*



**VERA BAIRD**<sup>QC</sup>  
POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER



**NORTHUMBRIA  
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### Introduction

This report provides a summary of results from the Safer Communities Survey for the 12 months to September 2017. Residents living in the Northumbria force area were contacted by telephone and asked about their perceptions of the local neighbourhood, police visibility and awareness, and the services delivered by the police and council. All over time comparisons are made against the previous 12 months to September 2016.

The sample is chosen at random to ensure it is representative of the overall population. A total of 6,358 residents took part.

**Results**

Key to tables:

- ▲ ▼ Improvement over time
- ▲ ▼ Deterioration over time
-  Better than average
-  Worse than average

<b>Perceptions of Neighbourhood</b>										
The percentage...	Force	HH Northem	II Central	JJ Southern	AA Sunderland	BB South Tyneside	CC Gateshead	DD North Tyneside	EE Newcastle	FF Nland
who say their neighbourhood has got better in last 12 months	14	13	14	14	14	14	12	15	15	12
who say their neighbourhood has got worse in last 12 months	16 ▲	12	19 ▲	16	16	16	21 ▲	11	18	12
who think ASB is a very or fairly big problem in their neighbourhood	13 ▲	9	16 ▲	13	12	13	17 ▲	9	16	9
who think crime is a very or fairly big problem in their neighbourhood	8 ▲	6	11 ▲	6	7	5	11 ▲	5 ▲	11 ▲	6
who are completely, very or fairly satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	91	94	87 ▼	91	90	92	88 ▼	95	87 ▼	93
feel very or fairly safe living in their neighbourhood	98	99 ▲	93 ▼	98	97	99	97	99	96 ▼	99 ▲

<b>Visibility &amp; Awareness</b>										
The percentage...	Force	HH Northem	II Central	JJ Southern	AA Sunderland	BB South Tyneside	CC Gateshead	DD North Tyneside	EE Newcastle	FF Nland
who are aware of local meetings	59 ▼	59	59	58 ▼	58 ▼	58	54	58 ▼	63	60
who on average see Police or Community Support Officers on foot in their neighbourhood at least once a week	12 ▼	10	11 ▼	15 ▼	13 ▼	17 ▼	8	9 ▼	13 ▼	10
who think the number of times they see Police or Community Support Officers on foot in their neighbourhood is about right	56 ▼	61	51 ▼	57	56	59	47 ▼	59	53 ▼	62

<b>Perceptions of Police &amp; Council</b>										
The percentage...	Force	HH Northem	II Central	JJ Southern	AA Sunderland	BB South Tyneside	CC Gateshead	DD North Tyneside	EE Newcastle	FF Nland
who agree the police in their neighbourhood can be there when needed	89 ▼	88 ▼	90	88 ▼	87	90	89	90	91	87 ▼
who agree the police can be relied on to sort out problems in their neighbourhood	90 ▼	90 ▼	90	89	88	89	89 ▼	91	90	90 ▼
who agree the police in their neighbourhood treat everyone fairly, regardless of who they are	96	96	96	96	96	96	96	97	96	96
who think the police do a good or excellent job in their neighbourhood	86	86	86	86	86	85	85	88	87	85
who think the council do a good or excellent job in their neighbourhood	47 ▼	51	46 ▼	44 ▼	41 ▼	49	48	50	44	48
who agree that the police and council are dealing with the anti-social behaviour and crime issues that matter in their area	68 ▼	69 ▼	67 ▼	66 ▼	64 ▼	69 ▼	65 ▼	74	69	67 ▼

**Key findings**

**Perceptions of Neighbourhood**

- Perceptions of local neighbourhoods have deteriorated at a force and Central Area Command level, influenced by changes in Gateshead and Newcastle.
- Perceptions that crime and anti-social behaviour are a problem remain above the force average in Central Area Command, and in the respective Local Authority areas of Newcastle and Gateshead.
- Perceptions of safety follow a similar reduction in Central Area Command.
- Northern Area command and the respective Local Authority area of North Tyneside and Northumberland remain above the force average for perceptions of local neighbourhood.

**Visibility and Awareness**

- Police visibility continues to fall across the force, with significant reductions seen in Central and Southern area commands and some Local Authority areas.
- The percentage of people who think visibility is right for their area has fallen at force level, influenced by Central area command.

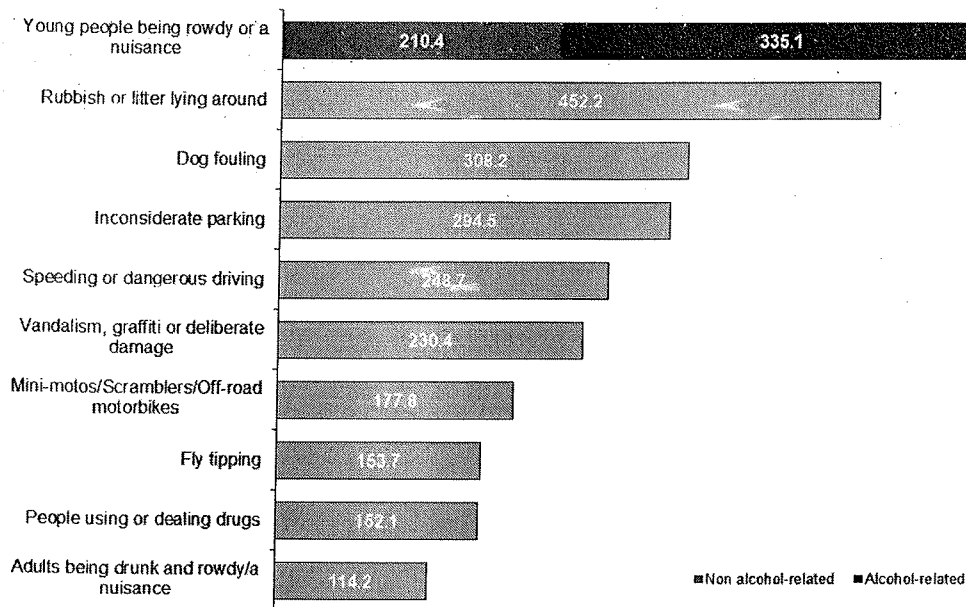
**Perceptions of Police and Council**

- Fewer residents agree the police in their neighbourhood will be there when needed or can be relied on to sort out local problems, although both measures remain relatively high. Despite a number of local reductions, all areas remain at or around the force average.
- Fewer residents think that the police and council deal with issues that matter, with the equivalent council measure showing a similar reduction.

## Force Public Priorities

6,358 residents were surveyed across the force area; of these, 2,094 (33%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities at force level in descending order, along with the score for each priority :

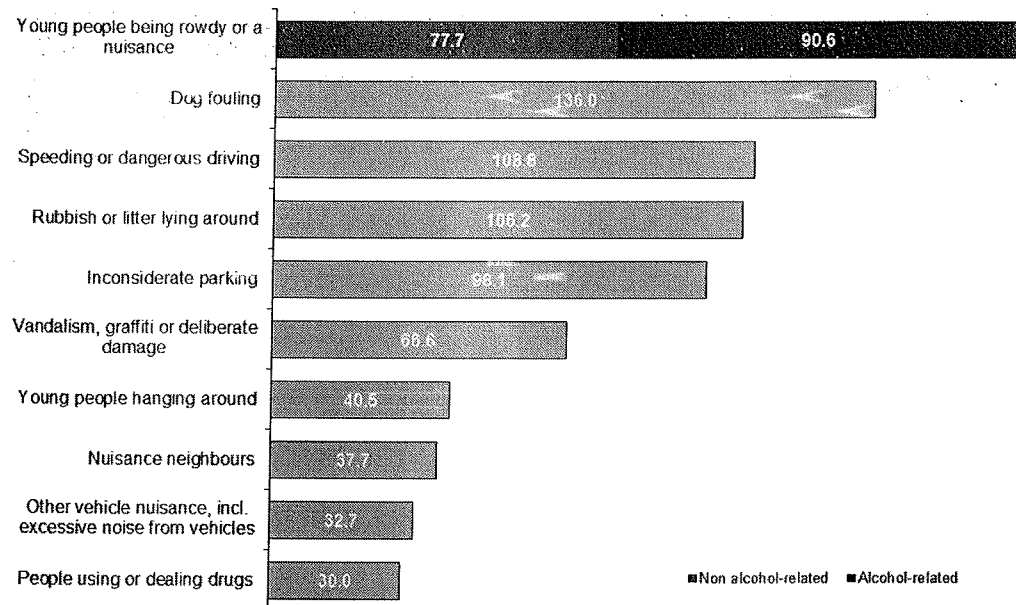


\* Problems are given a score of 1 to 3 depending on how big a problem the residents say they are. These are combined to give the overall problem score and weighted to take account of the population.

## Northern Public Priorities

2,378 residents were surveyed across the area command; of these, 689 (29%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for Northern in descending order, along with the score for each priority :

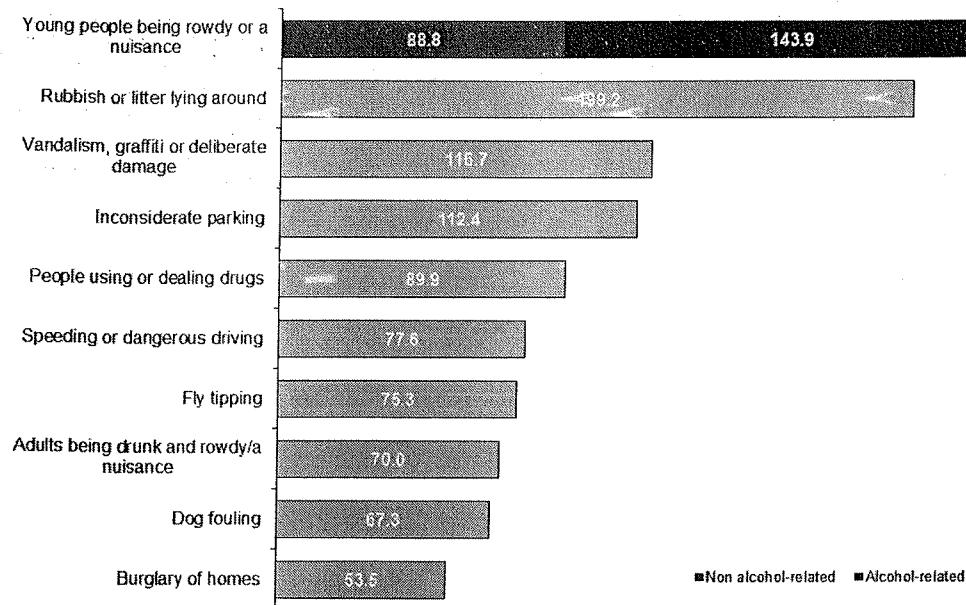


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## Central Public Priorities

2,172 residents were surveyed across the area command; of these, 803 (37%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for Central in descending order, along with the score for each priority:

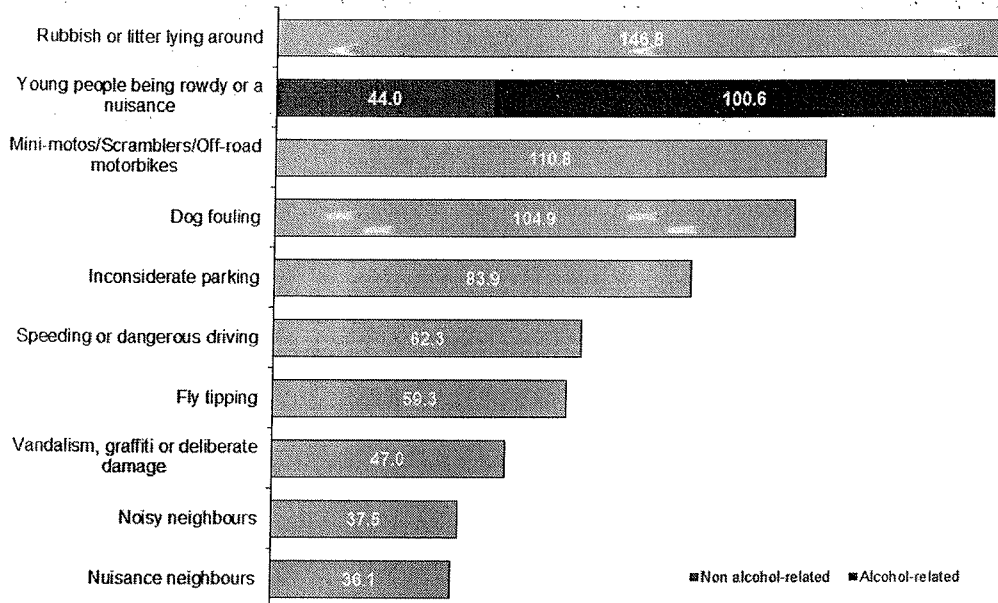


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### Southern Public Priorities

1,808 residents were surveyed across the area command; of these, 602 (33%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for Southern in descending order, along with the score for each priority :



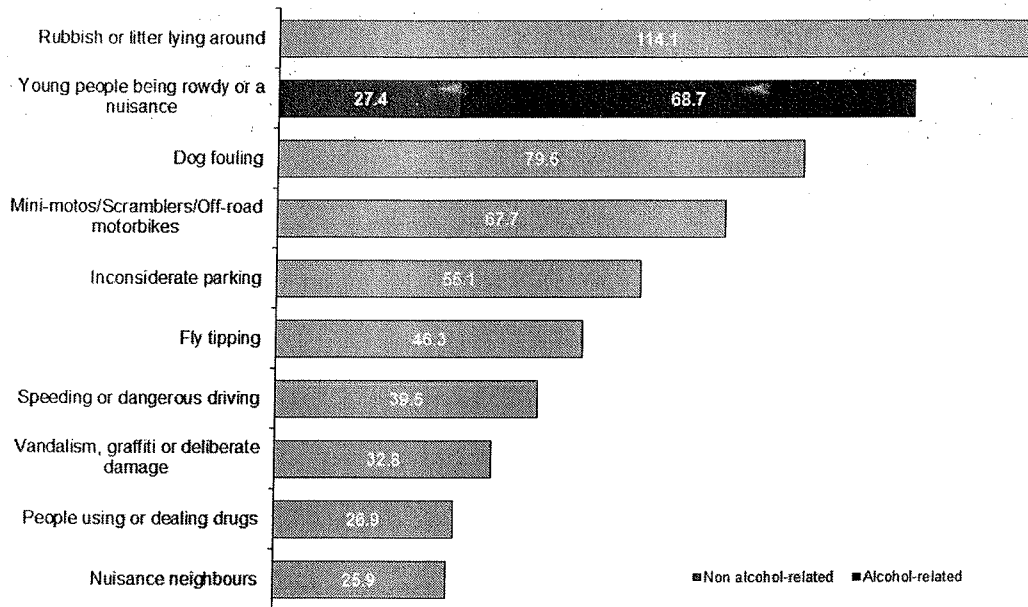
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### Sunderland Public Priorities

1,197 residents were surveyed across the local authority area; of these, 403 (34%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for Sunderland in descending order, along with the score for each priority:

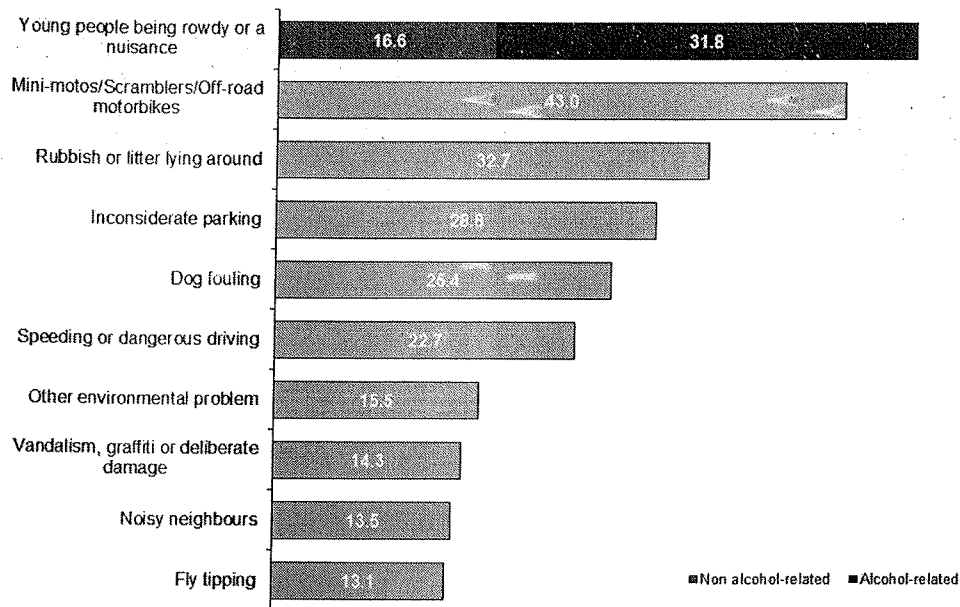


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### South Tyneside Public Priorities

611 residents were surveyed across the local authority area; of these, 199 (33%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for South Tyneside in descending order, along with the score for each priority :

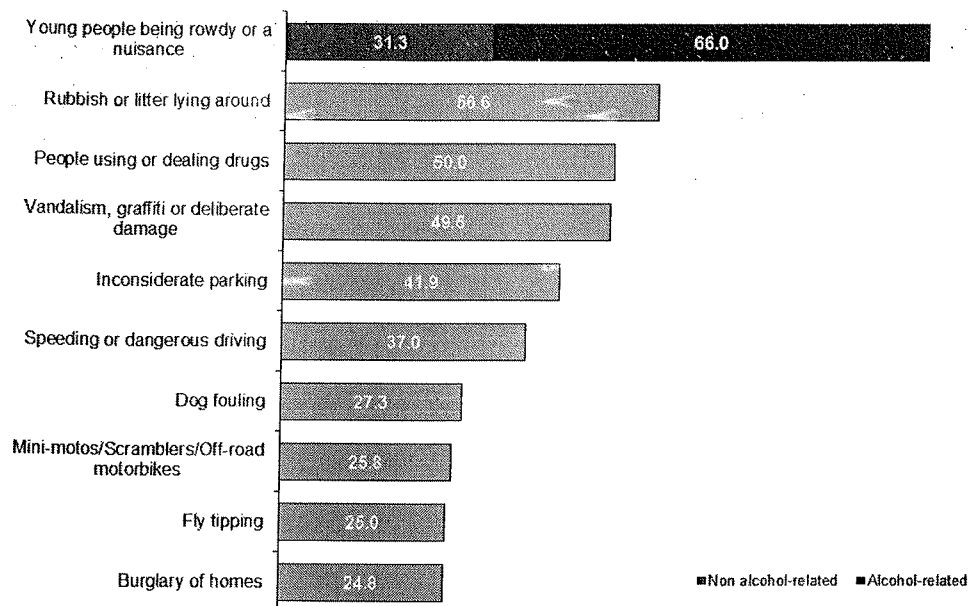


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## Gateshead Public Priorities

894 residents were surveyed across the local authority area; of these, 324 (36%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for Gateshead in descending order, along with the score for each priority:

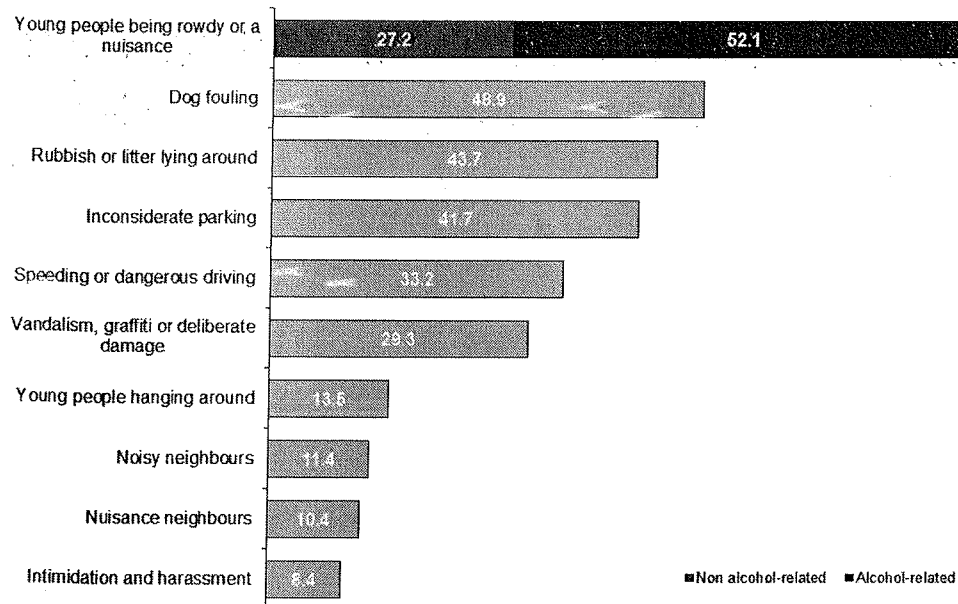


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## North Tyneside Public Priorities

893 residents were surveyed across the local authority area; of these, 254 (28%) identified at least one problem in their neighbourhood.

The chart below shows the top ten public priorities for North Tyneside in descending order, along with the score for each priority:



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