



Home Office

KEY POINTS TO HELP CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIPS (CDRPs) TACKLE CRIME AND DISORDER PROBLEMS IN THE NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY

- Use dispersal orders for areas where there is a persistent anti-social behaviour problem.
- Discourage premises from running happy hours and irresponsible drinks promotions. Make regular visits to licensed premises running promotions like this. Film or record behaviour and use it in evidence for prosecutions.
- Introduce secure glass and bottle banks. Promote their use actively, especially in high-risk disorder areas. Ensure bottle banks are regularly collected and emptied.
- Ensure there are police, CSOs, Town Warden's, Special Constable's etc at key bus stations/stops and at taxi ranks. Use bus and taxi marshals at designated taxi ranks and bus stations at peak times.
- Create temporary pedestrian zones, wherever there is a high concentration of night-time economy premises. Ensure there are sufficient parking attendants, traffic wardens, police etc.
- Get the NHS and Primary Care Trusts to help gather intelligence. Install free phone direct lines for victims at A&E to speak to the police.
- Make joint structured multi-agency visits with partners from local authorities, police, Trading Standards, Fire Service, Environmental Health, local authority licensing officers etc to on and off-licences.
- Make routine visits to 'hot spot venues', with overt video recording by police or local authority licensing officers to use as evidence for any prosecutions.
- Target patrols of Special Constable's, CSOs, Town Warden's etc at peak demand.
- Use new Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for alcohol-related offences. Use new FPNs against bar staff selling to underage persons. Use FPNs for urinating in the street. Use Anti-Social Behaviour Orders to stop people entering specific areas or premises. Use powers to confiscate alcohol.
- Connexions ID cards and card readers. Encourage Connexions to distribute cards with PASS hologram to 14-19 year olds through schools and colleges. Ensure that licensed premises have card-readers for use by bar staff and door staff. Encourage staff to challenge under-age drinkers for proof of ID – driving license, passport or Connexions card only.

See documents: "Violent Crime – Tackling Violent Crime in the Night-Time Economy" (www.policereform.gov.uk/psu/index.html) and lessons learned from the summer enforcement campaign (email: amec@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk for copies).