

## **Noxious Odour Procedure**

(Residential Premises)

**Anti-Social Behaviour Core Priority Group** 





#### What, why and how...

- What is a Noxious Odour Procedure?
- Why do we need one?
- How did we make it happen?





#### **Challenges:**

- Managing public expectations V's Evidence
- Considering any underlying issues around people's cannabis use
- Ongoing criminal investigations at the property
- Resource to respond to complaints



## **Developing the Noxious Odour Procedure**

#### **Trial:**

- Led by North Kesteven District Council
- Using the ASB Incremental Approach
- Some success but required a wider multi agency response
- Task and Finish Group established
- First draft protocol developed and piloted in Boston



#### **Boston Pilot**

District Council/ Police/ Housing Provider receives information and, with consent of the complainant, makes a record on ECINS



Organisation contacts the local Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) Sgt via ECINS with a request to check there are no ongoing investigations or operations at the address.

Police to submit intel and PPN, if appropriate.





**YES** 

NO

Handed over to Police for further criminal case building.

Referring organisation to monitor

Continue with Noxious Odour
Procedure by requesting Stage 1
Advice Letter

## **Stage 1 Advice Letter:**



- An informal advice letter is sent to the perpetrator detailing the impact of the odour and the importance of respecting those around them.
- This letter is sent out via the postal system.
- A letter is also sent to the complainant advising them of the action taken.

## **Stage 2 Advisory Letter:**



- Is sent if a further report is received within 6 months of the date the Stage 1 Advice Letter being sent.
- A further advisory letter will be administered to the perpetrator.
- This letter will be hand served to the perpetrator by the Local Authority ASB Officer / Housing Association Officer (if applicable) and member of the Police Neighbourhood Policing Team (usually a rank of CBM/SGT or above)
- A letter with diary sheets enclosed will also be administered to the complainant.
- Trigger Point for We Are With You Service Referral





- Issued if a further report is received within 6 months of the date the Stage 2 letter being sent.
- Evidence gathered to demonstrate a persistent and unreasonable detrimental impact.
- The CPNw is hand served by the Local Authority ASB Officer and member of the Police Neighbourhood Policing Team (usually a rank of CBM/SGT or above).
- 2nd Trigger Point for We Are With You Service Referral



## **Stage 4 Community Protection Notice (CPN)**

- Issued if a further report is received within the timescale set within the CPNw.
- The CPN is hand served by the Local Authority ASB Officer and member of the Police Neighbourhood Policing Team (usually a rank of CBM/SGT or above.

#### **BREACH**

- If a further report is received which is in violation of the conditions set within the CPN breach action will be taken.
- Is dealt with via the Magistrates Court.



## **Outcome of Boston Pilot**

- Ran between March and October 2023
- 6 Stage 1 Advice Letters issued
- 2 Stage 2 Warning Letters issued
- 0 Community Protection Notice Warning Letters issued



• The Lincolnshire Noxious Odour Procedure formally launched on Tuesday 14th November 2023

 ASB CPG to monitor activity to ensure compliance and address any identified issues



# **Any Questions?**