

## **APPENDIX 4- : Draft proposed consultation questions for Midsomer Norton**

### **Have your say on restricting the consumption of alcohol in public places in Midsomer Norton**

Currently, there is a Designated Public Places Order in Midsomer Norton which restricts street drinking. This can be viewed [here](#). As a result of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 this will expire in October 2017 and we need to decide if we wish to use new powers called **Public Space Protection Orders**, to continue restrictions on alcohol consumption in public places in the centre of the town

In summary, the Order would:

**Prohibit people from having alcohol in their possession, care or control in any public place within the Restricted Area in Midsomer Norton (the area within the red line on the map) where they are or have been consuming alcohol, or intend to consume alcohol, within that restricted area**

As currently, **it would not in itself be an offence to drink alcohol in this area**. However, it would be an offence to **fail to comply with a request by an Authorised Officer (eg a Police officer) to cease drinking or surrender alcohol**. A person guilty of such an offence would be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £500.

**Public spaces** are defined in the legislation as those **to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission**. This means the proposed PSPO would include public car parks and public parks as well as other public spaces such as streets.

The detail of the proposed Public Space Protection Order can be found [here](#).

We would like to hear from you about this proposal. You can respond to the consultation online using the following [link](#):

If you prefer to respond on paper, the public consultation questions are set out below and you can either email your responses to: [Community\\_Safety@BATHNES.GOV.UK](mailto:Community_Safety@BATHNES.GOV.UK) or send them by post to: PSPO Consultation, The Hollies, Midsomer Norton BA3 2DP. The consultation is open until [X Day] [X Date] [X Year], [X Time].

**All views will be collated and taken into account before the Council makes a final decision**

### **About the Public Spaces Protection Order**

**Do you agree that a Public Space Protection Order to control the drinking of alcohol in public places in Midsomer Norton is a good idea?**

- Yes  
 No

**Please add any additional comments in the box below**

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The detailed Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) which is being proposed can be found [here](#).

Do you agree that the area for the PSPO (the area within the red line) is the right one for the PSPO?

- Yes
- No

If you answered no please put forward any alternative option for the boundary you would like to suggest for the PSPO and explain why you are proposing this alternative boundary

Do you agree with the specific wording for the PSPO?

- Yes
- No

If you answered no please put forward any alternative wording you would like to suggest for the PSPO and explain why you are proposing this alternative wording

This box is for any further comments you have on the proposed PSPO

## About You

Are you a Midsomer Norton resident?

- Yes
- No

Are you a visitor to Midsomer Norton?

- Yes
- No

Do you work in Midsomer Norton?

- Yes
- No

Are you responding on behalf of an organisation? If so, what is the name of the organisation:

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Have you ever been affected by 'street drinking' in Midsomer Norton?  
(Please tick one)

- Yes
- No

If you answered 'yes' to this question, how frequently have you been affected?

**(Please tick one)**

- Daily
- One a week
- Once a month

**If you were affected, please explain in the space where this happened and how this affected you**

**What is your age? (Please tick one)**

- Under 16
- 16 to 18
- 19 to 24
- 25 to 29
- 30 to 49
- 50 to 65
- Over 65
- Prefer not to say

**What is your Gender (Please tick one)**

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say

**Equality Question**

Do you think that this proposal will affect you differently because of your personal characteristics as set out below? (Please tick each area you feel you will be affected differently – and then tell us why)

	<b>I will be affected differently due to my...</b>	<b>Please tell us why you will be affected differently</b>
<b>Age</b>		
<b>Disability</b>		
<b>Gender</b>		
<b>Race</b>		
<b>Religion or belief</b>		
<b>Other, please specify</b>		

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.**