PSPO NEWARK TOWN CENTRE – SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

	The Council are currently considering a PSPO for Newark Town Centre in relation to combatting antisocial behaviour. Do you support this?		The term of the PSPO would include a direction to leave a specified area. Do you agree with this term?		Do you support the designated areas included in the PSPO, as shown on the map?		If you have had any reports of anti-social behaviour in the last 12 months, please give brief details including location:	to 5 how big a problem do you think this is? 1 being nil impact and 5 being severe	Any further comments:
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No		Score 1 – 5	
Nottinghamshire Police	٧		V		V		Newark Town Centre frequently appears in the partnership ASB report as an area suffering from significant ASB. Crime Stats: The following figures are for Newark Ward: ASB incidents between 09/05/19-09/05/20: 1182 ASB incidents between 09/05/20-09/05/21: 1417 Increase of 23.5% This is clearly a huge amount of ASB to be taking place in a relatively small area and has a detrimental impact on those who live, work and visit the locality. As a result of reported ASB, complaints from residents and Councillors I have over the last year taken the decision to increase officers enforcement powers and authorised a Police Authority dispersal order in Newark Town Centre on 7 occasions.	5	additional comments on questionnaire captured below
Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service	٧		٧		٧			1	Additional comments on questionnaire captured below
NCC Communities Team	٧		٧		٧		I do not directly deal with reports of ASB as this is not part of my role. However, I am a member of the Bassetlaw and Newark and Sherwood Community Safety Partnership Delivery Group and partners from NSDC Public Protection & Police update the group on all matters of ASB, including numerous at this location.	4	No additional comments provided
Boots Optician's	٧		٧					4	additional comments on questionnaire captured below
Sally's Beauty, St Mark's Place, Newark	٧		٧		٧			5	No additional comments provided
Wizard Toys	٧		٧		٧		Drug use in the service yard behind the shop	5	additional comments on questionnaire captured below

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NSDC	٧	٧	٧		-	additional comments on
Environmental						questionnaire captured below
Services						
Councillor Keith	٧	٧	٧		-	additional comments on
Girling						questionnaire captured below
Councillor Irene	٧	٧	٧		4	No additional comments provided
Brown						
Councillor Rita	٧	٧	٧		-	additional comments on
Crowe						questionnaire captured below
B&M	٧	٧	٧	The level of shop theft increasing has been a big issue	5	additional comments on
						questionnaire captured below
Newark Town	٧	٧	٧			Additional comments on
Council						questionnaire captured below

Any further comments:

Nottinghamshire Police: "This dispersal power will allow officers to disperse though who are likely to engage in ASB and prevent issues before they take

place."

Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue: "The only trends we have in this area are in Tolney Lane. No concerns elsewhere.

Boots Opticians: "Groups in Market Place make it quite intimidating. Walking to and from work large groups of men gathering in side streets i.e.

College and urinating also makes this very intimidating when walking home alone".

Wizard Toys, Kirkgate: "Shoplifting & drugs activity taking place in and behind the store almost daily. We have had staff physically abused within recent

months. Town Centre patrols required frequently & urgently".

NSDC Environmental Services: "Sherwood Avenue Park – older gang of young people bullying younger kids at the skateboard area, damaging the ramps and

park infrastructures, smoking, drinking and drugs in the evenings. Killing pigeons

St Mary's Church Gardens – street drinkers, litter, use of the grounds for drugs, drinking and toilet. Vandalism to new historic

signage. Concerns raised by the St Mary's Church and nearby neighbours

Friary Gardens, Beaumond Gardens and around the library – day time street drinkers, rowdiness and litter witnessed during site

visits and reported via groups such as Newark in Bloom.

Riverside Gardens – damage to fencing, damage to newly planted trees, overload vehicles churning up the grassed areas.

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Riverside Walk between Trent Bridge and TKMax. Huge litter problem left by street drinkers. Damage and graffiti to bins and benches. Feeling of intimidation when crossing Newark between train stations".

Councillor Girling: "I am happy to support the proposal as indicated".

Councillor Crowe: "I fully support this proposed Public Space Protection Order".

B&M:"On the map it doesn't look like it includes B&M / Co-op on Victoria Street / Albert Street – to include this area"

Newark Town Council: "It would be good to include Fountain gardens as it's on the edge of the area anyway.

I can see that the groups that currently meet in Beaumond Gardens and Sherwood Park might be forced out and the nearest

green space is then Fountain Gardens."