# Information Sheet What is ASB

Antisocial behaviour is defined as 'behaviour by a person which causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm or distress to persons not of the same household as the person' (Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (legislation.gov.uk)

#### **Complaints investigated by Tameside Council's ASB Team**

Problem Neighbours

Physical violence
Report to the police first

Hate-related incidents (eg based on race, sexual orientation, gender, disability or belief) Report to the police first

Verbal abuse, harassment, intimidation or threatening behaviour

Report to the police first

Vandalism and damage to properties Report to the police first

Prostitution, sexual acts or kerb crawling Report to the police first

Alcohol/Drug activity in a public place only if alcohol/drug activity is the cause of additional ASB' (not one off incident)

Misuse of open spaces, public areas or loitering, including begging and off-road use of vehicles **Report to the police first** 

### **ASB Diary Sheets**

Contact ASB@Tameside.gov.uk to request diary sheets

# How long should I complete diary sheets before I report the issue?

7 days - if alleging a daily occurrence
14 days - if alleging several times, a week
28 days - if alleging several times, a
month.

#### **Complaints NOT investigated by Tameside Council**

Cooking smells

DIY in reasonable hours

Minor car repairs

Young people gathering socially

Children playing in the street, including ball games

Parking disputes

Civil disputes between neighbours (eg boundary issues or shared driveways)

Disputes over social media

Lifestyle differences

Bonfires and BBQ's

One off house parties

General Household noise eg. praying, phone calls

Drug Use We do not investigate drug activity in a private dwelling, report drug matters to Police as Council have no powers under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971

## **Alternative Partner Agencies:**

#### **Police**

Any criminal matters including any drug activity/violence/hate crime/harassment

999 (emergencies)/ 101 (non-emergency)

#### **Housing associations**

If the subject is a housing association tenant please contact their ASB team directly.

#### **Crime stoppers**

To report criminal activity anonymously. <a href="https://crimestoppers-uk.org/">https://crimestoppers-uk.org/</a>
0800 555 111



