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## Deploying Your Anti-Social Behaviour Powers with Maximum Effect

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## *Manchester*

### **Bill Pitt**

Head, Nuisance Strategy Group, Manchester City Council  
Is one of the UK's leading ASB experts and one of the Home Office's eight ASBO ambassadors

### **Professor Nick Tilley**

Professor of Sociology, Nottingham Trent University and Senior Advisor to the Home Office Director for the East Midlands

### **Matthew Jones**

Principal Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, New Prospect Housing

### **Gary Brown**

Sergeant, Lincolnshire Police  
Came 2nd in the Criminal Justice Award 2005 category for Outstanding Contribution to Tackling Youth Crime

### **Dylan Sadler**

Senior Lawyer, Anti-Social Behaviour Unit, Plymouth City Council

### **Sam McConnell**

Anti-Social Behaviour Team Leader, Oldham Council

### **Lorraine Kenny**

Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, Community Safety Unit, Oldham

### **Dr Nicholas Dobson**

Partner, National Head of Local Government Law, Pinsent Masons

### **Michael Hill**

Director, complaintsrgreat

### **Topics for discussion include:**

- **Deterring, enforcing, and making the respect agenda work for communities**
- **Being audacious and pushing the line when seeking solutions**
- **Motivating the community to come forward**
- **Special factors when dealing with juvenile ASB**
- **Employing ABCs to maximum effect**
- **A multi-disciplinary co-ordinated response that works**
- **Common sense principles to avoid legal trouble**
- **ASB systems that yield results**

**Monday 5 June 2006**

The Lowry Hotel, Manchester

0930

Registration and coffee

1000

Chair's introduction

Deterring, enforcing and making the respect agenda work for communities

- Key challenges and stumbling blocks
- Rapid relief to communities while maintaining legal safeguards
- Applying the legislative tools
- Strengthening pre-court summary powers for immediate protection
- PND's for under 16's
- Assessing gaps, practitioner responses and areas for improvement
- Where now?

Bill Pitt

Head, Nuisance Strategy Group, Manchester City Council and formerly member of the Executive of the Social Landlords' Crime and Nuisance Groups

1030

Reasons for being audacious and pushing the line when seeking solutions

- The cost of ASBOs
- Diversity in types and sources of ASB
- Limitations of ASBOs
- Impact of measures other than ASBOs in reducing ASB
- Adopting a holistic approach and putting ASBOs in their place

Professor Nick Tilley

Professor of Sociology, Nottingham Trent University Visiting Professor at the Jill Dando Institute of Crime Science, University College London, and Senior Advisor to the Home Office Director for the East Midlands

1100

Motivating the community to come forward

- Growing pressure for action on ASB
- Building community cohesion
- Encouraging victims to step forward
- Opening communication channels
- Agreeing rights and responsibilities
- Impact of uncertain reaction of the courts and legal profession
- Incidence of breach and re-offending and workability of ASB policies

Matthew Jones

Principal Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, New Prospect Housing

1130

Morning coffee

1145

Special factors when dealing with juvenile Anti-Social Behaviour

- Involving parents, community, and local schools in the campaign
- Identifying specific drivers of youth ASB and developing counter measures
- Different responses to youth and adult ASB
- Coming together with child support agencies to find solutions
- Tackling underlying causes of the behaviour to prevent it being repeated

Gary Brown

Sergeant, Lincolnshire Police

1215

Employing ABC's to maximum effect

- A valuable deterrent in spite of non-statutory nature
- Relationship of ABCs and ASBOs
- Specifying and agreeing the proscribed anti-social acts
- Data on outcomes and effectiveness of ABCs compared to ASBOs
- Agreement and drafting of the contract
- Significance of increasing numbers of ASBOs and ABCs

Dylan Sadler

Senior Lawyer, Anti-Social Behaviour Unit, Plymouth City Council

1245

Questions and discussion

1300

Lunch

1400

Cutting through the bureaucracy to achieve a result

Part 1

A multi-disciplinary co-ordinated response that works

- Collecting and using evidence from other agencies
- Sharing costs between partner agencies and utilising expertise
- Exploiting information channels
- Keeping key staff focused
- Establishing clear and manageable procedures

- Inter-agency relations and the perceptions of key stakeholders
- Practical application of the legislative tools

Sam McConnell

Anti-Social Behaviour Team Leader, Oldham Council

Lorraine Kenny

Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, Oldham Council

1430

Part 2

Common sense principles to avoid legal trouble

- ASBOs - essential law
- Local authorities and the law
- Human rights
- Publicising ASBOs
- Data protection and freedom of information
- Things to watch out for

Dr Nicholas Dobson

Partner, National Head of Local Government Law, Pinsent Masons. Was previously a lawyer with a wide range of authorities.

1500

Afternoon tea

1515

ASB Systems that Yield Results

- Strategic case study
- Identifying practice, process, policy and partners
- Keeping it simple and workable
- Achieving the right balance

Michael Hill

Director, complaintsrgreat ltd

1545

ASBO, ABC, interim ASBO, mediation: when, where and how to deploy?

Tactical workshop led by Bill Pitt, involving speakers from the day

1. Dispersal notices
2. Closure orders
3. Demoted Tenancies
4. Race relations
5. Hate and gang crimes
6. Good neighbourhood declarations
7. Curfews

1640

Questions and discussion

1700

Close of conference

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