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Controlled drinking zone

We want your views on the Council's proposal to establish a controlled drinking zone in West Bridgford, so that drink-related anti-social behaviour can be more easily dealt with by the police. We need your views by 18 October.

We want to set up the area in central West Bridgford including Bridgford Park, Bridge Field, Central Avenue and the area round part of Musters Road.

We want to stop abusive, yobbish, threatening behaviour which is becoming an increasing issue in this area.

A controlled drinking zone means that if people are asked to stop drinking in the area by police they must do so. If this instruction is ignored, then they could face a £50 fixed penalty or arrest and a possible £500 fine if convicted. Current police powers only allow them to arrest offenders for being drunk and disorderly and these new powers will only be used where the police think there is a serious issue to address. We do not want to be killjoys and stop people having a peaceful picnic in the park and drinking sensibly.

What do you think? You can give us your views by either writing to the Rushcliffe Borough Council's Community Safety Officer at the address given above or on-line at www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/cdz.

