

- 3.47 These triggers should provide a good basis for ensuring that the mandatory route of possession is ring-fenced to serious proven anti-social behaviour or crime that is causing harm to the local community or individuals within it. In these limited circumstances, where a court had already determined that serious anti-social behaviour or criminality had occurred, we think it is right that an expedited eviction process should be available to private and social landlords.
- 3.48 A summary of responses to this consultation and more detail on final proposals in the light of consultation responses can be found on the Department for Communities and Local Government website.

SUMMARY:

We will give professionals the tools they need to protect victims effectively by:

Cutting the existing alphabet soup of unwieldy powers by over two thirds, replacing the 19 complex existing powers with six simple new ones. The six tools we are introducing are:

1. The Crime Prevention Injunction – an injunction available to a wide range of agencies, which can be used quickly to protect victims by dealing with anti-social behaviour by private tenants and owner occupiers, as well as social tenants (addressing a criticism of the existing ASB Injunction)
2. The Criminal Behaviour Order – an order available on conviction for any criminal offence which will allow courts to attach positive requirements to ensure perpetrators deal with the underlying issues that are driving their behaviour (addressing a criticism of the ASBO), as well as including prohibitions to immediately protect victims.
3. The Community Protection Notice – designed to deal with particular anti-social behaviour impacting on a community's quality of life (for example to deal with noise, litter or graffiti).
4. The Community Protection Order (public space) – a locally determined order which could impose controls on behaviour in public places, for example controlling drinking in public as well as preventing other behaviour which has an impact on quality of life.
5. The Community Protection Order (closure) – simplifying the current complex number of powers available to close premises that are a magnet for trouble.
6. The Direction Power – a simpler and less bureaucratic power to enable the police to disperse situations to protect victims without needing to go through a long and slow process to designate an area in advance.

Speeding up the process of eviction for nightmare neighbours who make victims lives a misery. To do this we are introducing a new mandatory route to possession for anti-social behaviour for both private and social landlords, as a way of significantly reducing the length of the possession process and providing faster relief to victims and communities.