

## Press Release

“We welcome the strong stance the police have taken on the issue of drugs in Midsomer Norton. The B&NES Licensing Committee now have the task of reviewing all the evidence put before them on the 20<sup>th</sup> May in order to make an informed decision in the overall interest of our community. Licensed premises are an important part of the economic and social fabric of our town and we welcome the engagement of local people in the review process by submitting representations to the B&NES Licensing Committee.

At the same it is important not to lose sight of the huge reduction in crime and antisocial behaviour that we as a community have achieved over the last 18 months. In the last 2 months alone there has been a reduction in crime by 30% and antisocial behaviour has reduced by 59%. This clearly shows that Midsomer Norton is safer than ever before”, said Cllr Linda Dunford of Midsomer Norton Town Council.