Annex 4

Do you have any comments on safety issues in the city centre after 5pm?

| 1 | Street Angels do a great job. |
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| 2 | More CCTV |
| 3 | Seems to be all down to alcohol |
| 4 | York is a relatively safe city but there are times especially during race days when I feel quite threatened by drunken louts of both sexes. |
| 5 | More police on foot would help |
| 6 | I think that the antisocial behaviour is mainly drink-fuelled high jinx and do not feel concerned for my personal safety. However, it does influence where I might go in the city and which route home I will take. I have driven through the city in the late evening / early morning and find this very difficult. Drunk people often walk out in front of me into the road; sometimes deliberately and sometimes without being aware that traffic is approaching. |
| 7 | The better the environment and more used it is by ordinary people/families the less likely it is to be swamped with drunkenness and antisocial behaviour |
| 8 | I like to see a police presence when they walk around the city. |
| 9 | It can occasionally be a bit hairy, but not seriously (this is York after all). They're not lowlife, they're just people having a good time. |
| 10 | As previously mentioned, better trained door staff could have avoided the incidents I have experienced directly outside venues |
| 11 | Problems are mainly large groups of drunken people commenting loudly on other people. |
| 12 | In general, city centres are less safe in evening hours. But I think York does not have any serious safety problems that are noteworthy. |
| 13 | I've seen a couple of fights in McDonald's and Salt and Peppers in the early hours of the morning, but less fighting than in other cities at this time. |
| 14 | On a Friday and Saturday night maybe slightly more police on the streets might help improve safety |

| 15 | Feel safe |
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| 16 | I find drunken people scary, but there's nothing you can do about that. |
| 17 | It's about changing an entrenched British culture |
| 18 | York overall seems very safe compared to other places I have lived. The lighting down some of the more narrow streets does not seem adequate though. |
| 19 | There seems to be an increase in muggings |
| 20 | To be honest - the problem starts before 5pm on some days of the week/year but there is an incredible amount of horrendously drunk people around. I am from continental Europe and even though I have lived in York for 5 years and worked in multiple 'evening and late night' businesses it still disgusts and scares me. It makes me uncomfortable going places, especially if I am alone. Because of my job I commute back home after midnight and the amount of times I have been approached by strangers, commented at, and screamed at is not acceptable. |
| 21 | Every time it has been locals not students. Don't blame them |
| 22 | Particularly around the club areas and in the queues outside the club it can feel quite threatening. |
| 23 | If there's drunk people it's to be expected, not a problem |
| 24 | The emergency services do a fine job. |
| 25 | Having to explain to my child why people are lurching into us due to their being drunk. This is also not just after 5pm but in the run up to Christmas is often from lunchtime onwards!! |
| 26 | Taxis driving like lunatics late at night. |
| 27 | Not as bad as many cities but there are definite problem areas. |
| 28 | Lighting again - but a busier city centre would automatically make it safer |
| 29 | Some streets seem worryingly empty at times, and at other times full of groups on a night out and not behaving very sensibly. |
| 30 | Mainly related to alcohol, homelessness and clubs near Clifford's Tower |
| 31 | Where are the police at that time? |
| 32 | Went in 26/11 - groups of lads fighting / really frightened my little - the lads were off their heads drunk it was only 5.30 pm |
| 33 | The problem is drunkenness. One is always wary of drunks, whether alone or in groups, because there is always the possibility that they will become violent. |

| I don't think you're necessarily in harm's way in the evening in York, but you can't risk it with children in tow. You never know when a drunk is going to think you've looked at them the wrong way. Usually a visitor on a night out who doesn't know when to stop drinking. See previous comment about pedestrian control. There is a significant minority who come in to York looking to get very drunk and cause trouble. We all know the types of bars they attend and know to avoid them. More bars/clubs with a focus on more 'high brow' entertainment (eg. quality music, less emphasis on cheap drink and random snogging!) would make it less socially acceptable for the idiots to behave as they do. I have lived in York all my life aside from going away to university. I am not a wallflower, and I am pretty assertive and very open minded. I HATED being aggressively flashed by a group of really drunk women at 6pm on a Friday night down Micklegate while I was 8 months pregnant. It was vile and shouldn't happen. They shouldn't have been served. I have seen people being punched and people chasing others, all along the Micklegate run area, it is just awful, and it is unsafe. People in York get very drunk, very early in the evening. It makes the environment really unpleasant. You don't see a mix of age groups out in the evening, it's mainly drunken younger people. Street Angels seem to have good influence. Slow traffic down in city centre & semi pedestrianised streets I think we need to tighten up on serving alcohol - when someone is drunk they should not be served - this clearly does not happen at the moment. I was shoved and yelled at whilst walking down the road at 4.45pm on Saturday | | |
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| 42 | See previous answers. I used to cycle but got fed up of drunks staggering across the road in front of me. On race days I have been deliberately pushed off my bike by yobs for no reason! The large groups of men that tend to go around are very intimidating and unpleasant - shouting, weeing everywhere, etc. How about on the spot fines for urinating in public? I used to live near the racecourse (Albemarle Road) but had to move as I got fed up of men weeing in my front garden! I would never go into town after 5pm on a race night but feel that we shouldn't have to give our town up on days like this! |
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| 43 | Police patrolling the car parks would be very helpful as I have come across anti social behaviour here many times and if I am returning to my car alone (as there are no buses!) it puts me off travelling alone. |
| 44 | Avoid coming in on race days and if there is a football match |
| 45 | A more visible police presence might discourage the rowdy drunks, who are violent towards innocent passersby |
| 46 | Large groups of men on nights out can be very intimidating for women, especially as catcalling and sexual harassment is very common. Campaigns in the city centre (e.g. "Catcalling is not a compliment") would be a starting point in addressing this behaviour. |
| 47 | My experiences of anti-social behaviour in the city centre are only marginally worse than during the day time, and generally I feel safe in the city centre after 5pm. I feel *less* safe than during the daytime purely because of the more limited range of places which I can duck into in order to avoid anti-social or dangerous behaviour. |
| 48 | Better than most places, only seen a few fights which were broken up relatively quickly by police |
| 49 | Too weighted towards drinking culture. Ignorance of drug use amongst those also drinking |
| 50 | Large groups of drunken people moving through the streets en masse shouting at passersby is very intimidating |
| 51 | The 'Street Angels' and presence of Police are great. Big groups of lads/girls are an issue I think. My sister came to York for a hen do once (she's been to visit me loads of times and loves the city), and she said "God, I'm never going out in York at a weekend again, it was horrible, a typical chavvy northern city, really rough". |

| 52 | While I say "it has not affected my future decisions to visit" this is because I'm determined not to let drunken vermin ruin my life. However, it does make me less happy about going out at night and I certainly know a number of residents who say they DON'T go into the city at night because of anti-social behaviour. York really needs to get a grip of this. It is getting out of hand. |
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| 53 | It can be noisy but we feel quite safe and rather enjoy seeing what's going on |
| 54 | Saturday afternoons + early evenings are awful |
| 55 | These questions aren't particularly helpful as clearly it's going to be less of a safe environment when the majority of people are out drinking than it is in the day. Generally I find if you don't cause bother, you don't get it. Always the odd idiot about though. |
| 56 | Again, buses that would run later would make me feel more comfortable getting home on an evening. I am not always comfortable waiting on my own for a taxi, or having to get a taxi on my own. |
| 57 | Close to Micklegate there are often drunk people who behave inappropriately. |
| 58 | Generally policing on race days is very good. However policing activity tends to "drop off" in the winter months. As the evenings get darker I would prefer to see more police presence (on foot) between 8pm and midnight - Friday/Saturday. More street lighting at taxi ranks and perhaps noticeable CCTV with signage at those ranks would be good too, this includes the railway station. |
| 59 | Some groups of drunk lairy people I don't really like and I can see that some visitors may be put off. I'm not scared or intimidated and I've not seen any ASB associated with them. They're just young people having a laugh for the most part, but might be nicer if they were fewer. I particularly dislike the racegoers as they have been drinking *all day* and I do think when the races are on the city centre is slightly different. My daughter 17 feels particularly intimidated by lairy racegoers when walking back from south bank through town to our northside house, so I do think it is a problem. I read somewhere that in cricket they close the bars for a few hours in the afternoon to stop people getting so drunk, and I think the racecourse should consider doing this, or it be a condition of their licence that CYC imposes this on them. |
| 60 | Better lighting needed. Some areas are very dark |
| 61 | Too many rowdy stag/hen dos sometimes, makes town pretty unpleasant |

| 62 | Nope. It happens. Just have to be aware of your own surroundings. |
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| 63 | We need more police especially on a Thursday to Saturday |
| 64 | Where do we start? York City centre is a disgrace on a weekend evening after 5pm. As a business we take a huge dip in audience attendees on race meeting days. |
| 65 | Too many drunks - pubs still serving people who've had too much (contravening their licences). Too many drink promotions (3-for-1 etc) leads to too much / too soon. Not enough police visible on foot as a deterrent. |
| 66 | I think that like any city there are good areas to go to and bad areas. The Micklegate run is infamous for attracting aggressive, lairy types who can be problematic but they usually burn themselves out fairly early. If I was a girl I would be more concerned about safety, but staying in groups with friends can usually solve this and I haven't seen too many issues. |
| 67 | It's intimidating |
| 68 | We don't do enough to manage the influx of hen and stag parties No or little visible police presence. Certain areas are worse than others |
| 69 | Noise from drunken students is likely to have an impact on their safety; someone will sooner or later have a go at them when awoken at 3am for the fifth time in a week |
| 70 | I often don't feel hugely safe if I'm on my own - there's too many drunken people!! I actively avoid passing certain areas (bottom of Micklegate, parts of Coney Street) after 9pm if I can. |
| 71 | Everyone be happy. |
| 72 | More police foot patrols would be good |
| 73 | It's safe drunks / revellers not a problem, we've all been young, leave them to it |
| 74 | I have ticked the 'no' box above, as I have no choice about deciding to visit because I live there. I do, however, intend to move house because of the rowdiness and anti-social behaviour. In my opinion the root cause of the anti-social behaviour is drink, not helped by York being seen as a 'destination' for hen and stag parties. |
| 75 | Some issues are caused by low alcohol prices from supermarkets and some pub operators ie Wetherspoons |
| 76 | Race days are worse and weekends |
| 77 | I think it is quite safe but it doesn't always feel that way. Also, some language and behaviour I would prefer not to encounter whilst walking through the streets with children. |

| 78 | Same as any city. Licensing in York is done pretty well though. Wouldn't ever avoid city on an evening (except some race days), but more selective on the parts I'd visit. |
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| 79 | Key trouble areas should have stronger enforcement again anti- social behaviour and the businesses that are causing this should be liable. Not every late opening bar should be penalised for the behaviour of people just in certain bars/area, especially looking at round bottom of Micklegate and Bridge Street. |
| 80 | It is fine if it is contained to Micklegate because I know to just avoid that area |
| 81 | Too many drunken louts. |
| 82 | It is only to be expected that things will kick off in the later hours, especially on a weekend and the door staff and police respond quickly to trouble. I have witnessed fights in the Rougier Street area on many occasions that have always been dealt with effectively so I don't feel unsafe if I end up alone. |
| 83 | Stop homeless people begging in the City centre |
| 84 | Without doubt the encouragement of large groups drinking excessively causes issues |
| 85 | Too many buses make it difficult to access the city centre |
| 86 | Poor question. I've experienced anti-social behaviour both before and after 5pm, especially on a Saturday during the daytime (before 5pm) and Bank Holidays. Pretty sure anyone everywhere has experienced antisocial behaviour after 5pm in a city centre. Question feels loaded towards being used as explanation for late night levy so refused to answer. |
| 87 | There are too many drunken people. This survey reads like I'm a tourist. I love in York. I do not 'visit' York. I'm a local, we do not visit. We just go into town. |
| 88 | I feel much less safe as a woman on my own when there are large groups of drunken men on stag nights or parties - they tend to gather in the main streets and I either take a different route to avoid them or end up getting harassed as I walk past. |
| 89 | It always feels exceptionally safe |
| 90 | Do not like going into the city on Saturday or Friday nights |
| 91 | Too many drunk people crowding onto Ouse bridge and Ousegate |
| 92 | I would not choose a night in York on a Saturday or Bank Holiday weekend due to the large number of drunken groups dominating bars. |

| 93 | More police presence, patrolling would be nice, or PCSOs. |
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| | It's horrible outside McDonald's late on |
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| 95 | York usually feels like one of the safer cities I have lived in. |
| 96 | Drink-related, often focussed around closing times, outside pubs and McDonald's on Blake Street |
| 97 | In the most part police are around and accessible, however there are times as a female that certain routes and areas are to be avoided at night time |
| 98 | 24 hr drinking culture and being a city with high student population |
| 99 | At the weekend parts of the city are no-go areas because of the number of drunks. |
| 100 | Alcohol fuelled revellers are biggest issues, so need to discourage stag and hen parties and race goers through licensing restrictions on key dates- |
| 101 | Street Angels do have a calming and reassuring presence. |
| 102 | York is one of the safest cities in the UK |
| 103 | There seems to be a large group of what people call "Louts" that congregate inside and outside McDonald's in the centre, it can be a little intimidating when large, loud groups gather and you have to walk by them. I've heard of a few thefts after 5pm when working. (People saying bikes, purses and bags have been stolen) but haven't ever witnessed any thefts. That is quite un-nerving to hear. Night-life wise it's mainly Clifford Street that sees a lot of drunken people blocking taxis and going too far, more police (Special Constables or Street Angels) would make everyone feel safer. |
| 104 | Discourage hen and stag parties drinking all day |
| 105 | Lots of large groups of stags /hens often not appropriately dressed and with blow up dolls etc OFTEN GROUPS OUT BY 5PM AND DRUNK |
| 106 | More police patrolling would be an improvement, as I have been verbally harassed several times, even with a large group of friends. |
| 107 | An increased police presence around club areas and bars etc. would be very beneficial |
| 108 | Ease of access to alcohol for young people seems to be the main cause of antisocial behaviour issues. If there were more activities available that would interest young people and less cheap drink maybe that would help. |
| 109 | Try talking to the homeless guys about what they see on the streets at night. Truly disturbing. |

| | The large number of groups of men and women that visit the city to get drunk in the city centre is a real problem. I have witnessed their intimidating behaviour in early evenings on a weekend in front of families and it is not pleasant. It makes me wonder what people think of out city. |
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| | Too many drunken people. |
| | More police/specials visible on the streets |
| | It happens every week. Unpleasant, loud drunken gangs with little visible policing |
| | More commercial activity and evening events would reduce perceptions of less safe environment and encourage more family visits |
| | At weekends the throngs of well inebriated "clubbers" who seemingly take over the city centre make the place feel "uncomfortable" for those not so engaged. |
| | In general police, security staff and Street Angels do an excellent job in York and are always very visible. The city centre is very well lit. Though you will see anti-social behaviour (this will always be the case it night time economies) I never feel unsafe in York. |
| | Believe that for a city that has a pretty good night life and evening economy that ASB is going to happen however compared to other cities that I have lived in this seems to be focussed to certain areas of the town and that overall I always feel safe in the city after 5pm. |
| 118 | No |
| | There is a lack of Police Officers patrolling on foot in York City Centre. (Not Community Support Officers). On a Friday and Saturday nights only on rare occasions do you see police officers on foot in the city centre. They are a visible deterrent and are needed in the city centre every night after 8pm. |
| | York is much safer than most cities, but if there are bars serving alcohol there is always going to be occasional trouble, especially with so many stag and hens coming to York. This would not affect my decision to go out, as it is part of the risk you take going out |
| | anywhere, and reduced if you no which areas to avoid |
| - | Just yobs on bikes outside McDonald's |
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| 124 | The best way to change people's culture of alcohol fuelled ASB and violence is to stimulate their natural internal inhibitors, and to ensure there are pro-good behaviour influences around. Heavy policing simply adds to the feeling of fear. More families, older people etc. would encourage improved behaviour on the part of those who currently have no curbs on their excesses. |
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| 125 | Too many parties of people who seem to have the whole intention of getting drunk |
| 126 | More police presence needed in evenings for reassurance |
| 127 | Again large groups of men and women intent on nothing more than getting very, very drunk leads to verbal abuse as a regular occurrence. It is by no means the worst city for this, but we are in danger of losing the core attraction and values of York if this is allowed to continue |
| 128 | Areas of town are avoided due to stag and hen parties and general drunken idiocy |
| 129 | I think York is a very safe city, including evening and night-times. However, I can well understand that the large number of very drunk people (usually loud, sometimes good-natured, but sometimes more aggressive/violent) puts off many other people. I do think York's good reputation is being tarnished by its popularity as a stag and hen destination. |
| 130 | I think the bars and pubs need more accountability in allowing someone/anyone to drink themselves into oblivion. It's quite clear to anyone when someone has had enough and needs to go home. If you can't stand up straight and speak without slurring your words then it's definitely time to go home. |
| 131 | Please put the drunks into sobriety tanks |
| 132 | There appears to be an atmosphere, especially at weekends, of the place being on the edge of violence caused by the large numbers of groups wandering around having had too much to drink. |
| 133 | More arrests/fines, etc, needed for anti-social behaviour. Deterents needed for hen and stag parties. |
| 134 | Personally I feel safe, but it is not safe for others - younger / females alone / etc. |
| 135 | Often feels threatening |
| 136 | There should be better police presence |

| 137 | down to drunkenness, usually from large single-sex groups. There needs to be better enforcement of the prohibition on bar staff serving alcohol to people who are already drunk, and THIS MUST INCLUDE THE RACECOURSE. |
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| 138 | It's not nice to see so many people drunk and being loud especially when children and families, some from overseas, are present. There always seems to be an undercurrent or at least a feeling of impending violence |
| 139 | Generally most of the city feels safe although I think there are some areas that people would give a wide berth e.g. Micklegate, outside Stonebow (although this can be bad during the day with anti-social people gathering) and sometimes along the river or in the parks. |
| 140 | Would generally avoid Rougier St /Micklegate areas on a Friday/ Saturday evening, especially after 11pm and on race days. Would avoid all of city centre on race days after the races have finished |
| 141 | Consider the city centre no less safe than say 20 / 30 years ago. |
| 142 | Drinking levy might help |
| 143 | Generally it is still a safe city. |
| 144 | Is fine usually until 11 onwards when there are more drink related problems, which all cities experience. |
| 145 | There are certain no-go areas which I will not frequent - certainly George Hudson Street and Rougier Street area I will not go near. There is a noticeable amount of rowdy groups around town from lunchtime onwards on Friday/Saturdays - I tend to avoid shopping at these times too now. |
| 146 | Not enough visible police presence, too many badly or unlit small streets and doorways, rowdy hen and stag parties should be monitored |
| 147 | Increased police patrols should help |
| 148 | Complete lack of police presence. Gangs of drunken males. Loud mouthed hen parties. Intimidating youths hanging around fast food outlets. People drinking on the streets. |
| 149 | As the previous comments. The city centre has a completely different feel to it on race weekends and we often decide not to go into the city centre at that time as a result. (Additionally, the only anti-social behaviour I have witnessed other than those weekends has been from stag & hen parties/other large groups) |

| 150 | Bus stops feel unsafe after dark. Taxi queues feel better as usually more people about, albeit there's sometimes anti-social behaviour. Crowds of drunken young people outside places like McDonald's etc very off putting. |
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| 151 | Problems are generally alcohol fuelled and concentrated in certain areas. It can be unpleasant. I think the main safety issues are away from the actual city centre itself. However, I think we need to keep a sense of proportion as the problems in York are far less than in many other city and town centres. |
| 152 | Most of the stag and hen parties are fine. It's the groups of wandering young men (not usually stag parties who are usually good natured) who get drunk, foul mouthed and aggressive. Although the language used is not physically hurtful it's not something I want to expose my children to. PCSOs don't seem to intervene when there are just these verbal slanging matches going on but it really is off putting. |
| 153 | Can sometimes feel quite unsafe with the sheer number of highly drunk individuals wandering/staggering/shouting around. |
| 154 | If I didn't have mobility problems, I would be a lot braver in my after dark visits to the city centre. |
| 155 | It's not safe, it's not friendly, it's not attractive. York after 5pm is a totally different creature to that before 5pm and I don't know why it is such a magnet for large groups of drinkers from the North East. |
| 156 | Where are the Police? |
| 157 | I find from personal experience that other then fashion and noise, hen parties rarely cause any major crimes, but that the majority of incidents I've witnessed have come about from smaller groups and 2 guys fighting over 1 girl - those sort of scenarios |
| 158 | No |
| 159 | We have seen so many drunks and gangs of hen and stag parties in the town. I wouldn't go quite so far as to use the word "marauding" but they certainly give the city a bad name especially if they are excessively drunk and aggressive. |
| 160 | If I go to town 8-11 on a weekend I perhaps feel slightly less relaxed in terms of being more aware of not looking at the groups of girls/boys in case the shout something. Not a big deal but just a little more on guard perhaps. |
| 161 | Drinking culture is a national problem |

| 162 | I try to get home, and I have witnessed some of my friends being threatened with violence (usually my male friends suffer this). However, I think York is probably the same or even slightly better than some cities in this regard (I used to live in Leeds) and I am always reassured to see quite a police presence in the area at these times, as well as students from YSJ doing charity night time patrols. |
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| 163 | It just does not feel very safe. I am ashamed to take our guests from abroad into town but they get great entertainment out of watching the antics of people on the street. Unfortunately this only applies if they are safely within a restaurant. It is not very nice walking amongst these crowds. |
| 164 | I think there should be a better police presence and all anti social behaviour should be treated seriously |
| 165 | There is no obvious Police presence in the city centre. There is little actual violence thankfully but plenty of rowdy, abusive and threatening behaviour which makes you think twice about bringing visitors or the elderly into town. The bars surrounding City Screen attract a very dubious and drunk clientele making it an ordeal on occasion to go there. |
| 166 | Actually it starts from lunchtime Saturday- not just after 5pm. |
| 167 | It is mainly again from drunk people!! It does make you want to go out of York for a nice evening where there are littleor no pubs. |
| 168 | It's a city centre; what do you expect |
| 169 | Have spaces better lit such as Newgate Market and other dark places where people take drugs, drink etc. and cause problems. |
| 170 | Because there is not a diversity of ages and people on the street at night there is a feeling that anything goes and becomes a no-go area for families, non-drinkers, people looking to drink less. Obviously a greater police presence would be beneficial but that can also be intimidating. York needs to set an example to the rest of the country and reclaim the streets for everyone, encouraging all of its residents to come out and enjoy attractions at night. This would make money for York and bring people together whilst creating more healthy social norms, changing what is acceptable behaviour on the streets. |

| 171 | Again, this has to be about numbers, density of pub choice, long opening hours etc. Race days are another example of the situation I'm referring to - my family and friends feel like many press reports of violence in the City this year have involved people who have travelled here from out of the area - although at least they do seem to get caught! |
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| 172 | Race events make the city centre horrible evenings for residents - drunkenness from early on and irresponsible behaviour |
| 173 | I am concerned over the drunkard behaviour of stags, hens and race goers. |
| 174 | Feel safer in the town centre as more police. Feel less safe walking home as people are attacked on Melrosegate etc |
| 175 | Street Angels seem to have made a lot of difference. I am more confident when they are on duty |
| 176 | Too many drunks |
| 177 | There is a very well established binge drinking culture in York that makes it quite unsavoury on weekends and sometimes even during the week. I would say this is largely not students but young males mid twenties to 30s who feel that they can do whatever they like while they are 'out on the town' in York. Hen parties seen to fall into the same category. How people can be served alcohol when they are beyond even standing up is just incredible. Some students can be rowdy, messy litter creating gangs but apart from endangering there own lives I do not feel they add to an unsafe environment. I also think there is a strong presence of vagrants in the city centre. |
| 178 | The level of alcohol consumption affects the City. |
| 179 | Are Police off duty after 5pm? |
| 180 | Too many drunks / stag and hen parties, drunken race goers etc |
| 181 | Really dislike stag and hen parties and people being excessively drunk, like race goers. Think it gives bad impression to foreign visitors and makes local residents avoid going into town on a weekend evening. Think there should be reduction on cheap drink offers- I know from my children who are young adults that its cheaper to have doubles/ trebles at some bars. I also think bars should not serve people who are drunk. |
| 182 | The biggest issue is caused by alcohol, particularly when combined with Race Days or Stag and Hen parties |
| 183 | Too many stag & hen do's |
| 184 | No issue |

| 185 | York is like two different cities, before and after 5pm. It's a big issue that needs to be addressed. I'm very proud of the city but we are being known as a drinking city. I have had 4 friends (who live outside of York) organising stag nights here, this is because of the York's reputation. This shouldn't be what we are known for. |
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| 186 | I consider the city to be generally quite safe. As a lone woman I don't have any concerns about walking home after dark. |
| 187 | The City Centre changes quite suddenly after 5pm and the drunken behaviour post 11pm is quite intimidating, loud and aggressive. |
| 188 | When walking through town at night, I do pick my route carefully to ensure that I avoid "hotspots" where you can be easily outnumbered, such as Willow or McDonald's. I think that stricter enforcement of not allowing bars and clubs to serve customers who are very much intoxicated would go a long way. |
| 189 | Groups of youths around the car parks - especially Foss Bank where in the past I have had to ask someone to go to my car with me. There are cameras in the car park but the parking people obviously do not study them. |
| 190 | I generally feel fairly safe in the city centre at most times. By my experience this is not the case for young men. I do have issue with hens/stags carrying lewd items around the town during the day |
| 191 | See previous comments |
| 192 | The later it gets, the more people are drunk and rowdy. A police presence helps, but it won't stop as people tend to pre-load before going out these days. |
| 193 | Too many idiot children hang around McDonald's throughout the evening. |
| 194 | There is not enough of a visible police presence. |
| 195 | If more places were open more families would visit and would hopefully see less anti-social behaviour. |
| 196 | I'm sure York is safer than many places at night, but I still don't feel safe, let alone welcomed, in York at night |
| 197 | I don't consider the city to be any more unsafe than any other city |
| 198 | Would like to see more police |
| 199 | York is as safe as it gets. Stop worrying about it. If you live in the centre like I do you have to expect the odd bit of trouble. Shouting drunks are not a safety issue. Police and councillors tend to over play problems. Be more worried about how dead it is most Fridays nowadays compared to Leeds . |

| 200 | I've experienced anti-social behaviour both before and after 5pm. But I've lived in York for 40 years and it's no better or worse than many other places. A late night culture in the UK would be great. |
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| 201 | More policing and not promoting York as a Stag and Hen Party capital, even if it reduces the tourist traffic. |
| 202 | Large parts of the city centre are becoming no go areas after dark, populated only by the drunk and antisocial staggering from bar to bar. As a resident I find it unacceptable and I dread to think what tourists make of it. |
| 203 | More police on the streets |
| 204 | Far too many stag and hen parties, out of control with alcohol. Bars and clubs should be forced to take more responsibility on turning away people that have already had too much to drink |
| 205 | I get anxious reading in the news about homeless young violent gang attacks. i.e. the river walk near the rail station. |
| 206 | Don't feel there is any real danger, but as a ghost trail guide wouldn't feel safe walking home in a top hat or takings in my pocket. |
| 207 | I think its pretty safe compared to a lot of UK cities but, like most UK cities on Friday/Saturday and Sundays people drink too much and there's a lot of shouting and rowdiness, most of its in fun but after 10 it can get a bit desperate as some people have had way too much by then. I wouldn't go down Micklegate if you paid me on any of those nights, the last time I went down there on a Sunday (about 7pm) bank holiday there where people fighting outside Slug, people so drunk they could hardly walk staggering about the road stopping the traffic, people arguing and screaming at each other outside O'Neills, some police breaking up an argument on Lendal Bridge, it was like the end of the world (at SEVEN PM!) not a great advert for the city. |
| 208 | York, compared to other major cities I've visited, appears to have very little anti social behaviour! |
| 209 | Cars parking where the kerb is dropped. As a wheelchair user I have to go further round sometimes on the road but it's safer being pushed in a wheelchair on the road in Goodramgate than travel on the up and down uneven paths. |
| 210 | There is obviously a good police presence but there are far too many drunken idiots causing problems and making a mess. |

| 211 | I always feel safe in my city but there is always police milling around close by on an evening whether on foot or in a van there is a low key presence in the city |
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| 212 | Stag and hen parties are intimidating. |
| 213 | We must have more and better street lighting. |
| 214 | Large drunk groups can feel very intimidating. Lack of police/PCSO presence at night. |
| 215 | The anti-social agenda of York Council is over-hyped. It's fine, the young get drunk, have fun, argue, kiss nothing i didn't do when I was in my teens and 20s, even 30s I'm now 50+, never felt threatened |
| 216 | Feels about the same as other towns/cities of similar size. |
| 217 | It's the drunkenness that causes the problems. If we could only prevent that / encourage more sober activities Also, some of the antisocial behaviour seems to be caused by people travelling into York for an evening, they have less respect for locals who might live nearby. |
| 218 | York seems to be a destination city and it attracts large groups of same sex groups. This can get super rowdy and intimidating but I'm not sure what you can do about that. |
| 219 | Centred around Rougier St/Micklegate. Often caused by drink, would help if clubs closed at different times. Also trouble tends to flare at takeaways and taxi ranks. Increased number of taxis would help disperse people quicker. Rarely many available taxis at Rougier St rank after 12.30am |
| 220 | ASB happens everywhere, it is a fact of life, |