

Street Parties and noise

Under the Control of Pollution Act 1974 loudspeakers should not be operated in the street after 9 pm without the benefit of a consent granted by Pollution Control – Bristol City Council. For the purposes of this Act a ‘street’ means a highway or any other road, footway, square or court that is for the time being open to the public. Therefore if you have speakers in a front garden facing on to a street consent is not required. If you intend to operate a loudspeaker or sound system in the street after 9 pm as part of your street party then you must contact us on (0117) 922 2500.

If there are residential properties nearby to your street party we would recommend the following to try to minimise any disturbance from your street party.

1. Notify any near neighbours of your event, the time it will finish and a name and telephone number for them to contact if they are disturbed by it.
2. Carry out regular checks outside your event to ensure that noise is not causing any disturbance to nearby residents, if it is then turn down the volume.
3. The level of noise acceptable in the middle of the afternoon might not be as acceptable at 11 o'clock at night. Therefore make sure the music level is lowered later in the evening when children or other local residents might be trying to get to sleep.
4. Ensure that partying does not carry on outside the area of your event and that partygoers consider neighbouring residents when they leave.
5. If you are having fireworks then let them off earlier in the evening and not at midnight so that everyone can enjoy them.

We hope your event goes well, if you would like any further advice then contact us on (0117) 922 2500.

Health & Safety

For information on food safety or information or advice on any other health and safety issue please contact the Public Health Service at:

Bristol City Council, Health & Safety (City Hall), PO Box 3176, Bristol, BS3 9FS

health.safety@bristol.gov.uk

(0117) 9222500

There is also a range of useful information at: www.hse.gov.uk

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