



## Beacon Street Area Residents' Association

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Mr M Ashley  
Chairman  
Newcastle United Football Club  
St. James' Park,  
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Dear Sir,

Re: - Disruptive behaviour by Newcastle United Supporters on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2013 in Lichfield.

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2013 three coach loads of Newcastle United supporters stopped in Lichfield on the way to the match at Aston Villa FC ground, they unfortunately arrived much the worse for wear and created havoc after being dropped off in Beacon Street Lichfield, home to Lichfield Cathedral.

<http://storify.com/beaconstreetara/newcastle-united-fans-cause-havoc-in-beacon-street>

Members of our Association and the general public have told us that they remained indoors because they felt intimidated by a coach load of intoxicated fans that broke bottles, chanted and obstructed both pedestrians and motorists. We are sure you will agree that this is unacceptable behaviour.

Lichfield is a tourist city that welcomes visitors and over the years many football fans have called in for refreshments on their way to games in the West Midlands without any trouble.

We feel sure that Newcastle United Football Club abhors actions like these and therefore we would call upon your club to ensure in the future that coach operators who transport your fans behave in a responsible manner and do not allow these actions to occur.

We look forward to hearing from you, a copy of this letter and your reply will be placed on our website.

Yours sincerely

Bob Smith – Chairman

CC Inspector Rachel Joyce, LPT Commander; Peter Young, Town Clerk, Lichfield City Council.

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