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Dear Parent / Guardian

## Re: Reports of Anti-Social Behaviour in Peasholm Park and surrounding area

North Yorkshire Police have noticed a significant increase in youth anti-social behaviour in Peasholm Park and surrounding area. Intoxication of young people through drink or drugs within Peasholm Park is a concerning emerging issue that we are experiencing with guardians unaware of their child's intoxication and severity of this, until informed by North Yorkshire Police. The risk to young people through intoxication is multifaceted and there are support services available.

As we anticipate a busy summer season with high volumes of visitors in the Peasholm and Open-Air Theatre, we would request that you have a conversation with your child regarding acceptable behaviours, drink and drug abuse and risks associated with this when they are out with their friends.

There is a multi-agency team operating in Scarborough Borough to reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder. The team includes North Yorkshire Police, North Yorkshire Council, local schools, Housing Associations, Youth Justice Service and North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue and many other partner agencies working within the borough.

Please have a conversation with your child about any potential risk factors associated with antisocial behaviour and drug or alcohol abuse which may include, but are no means limited to: spiking, overdose, hospital admissions, violence, criminal proceedings against your child and risk of harm.

We would also ask that you know your child's whereabouts and who they are associating with in order to keep them safe and to stop them being drawn into disruptive behaviours.

In the event of any child being identified as being involved in anti-social behaviour the team will take the appropriate action.

Kind Regards
Neighbourhood Policing Team
Scarborough