

**Council, Tuesday 13 July 2010**

**Motion 3.1:** Councillor Jack Cohen

**Town Centres**

Council supports the objective of making our Town Centres a pleasant, attractive and vibrant shopping experience .Council therefore notes with concern the number of street alcohol drinkers in and around Golders Green Town Centre. Council agrees that If this situation is allowed to continue there is a real risk that visitor numbers to the Town Centre will fall, as well as making the area unpleasant for local residents

Council believes in a two pronged approach to deter and persuade street drinkers to alter their lifestyle. The first is to outlaw 'street' drinking of alcohol in public and the second is for the council to work with the appropriate helping agencies and local liquor stores to deal with causes of alcohol dependency.

Council therefore request the Cabinet to draw up proposals in consultation with the Police, shopkeepers residents and drug and alcohol agencies which will include

- 1) Designating Golders Green Town Centre and adjoining roads as an Alcohol Free Zone
- 2) Outreach work with problem drinkers”

Under Standing Order Part 4, Section 1, 31.5: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the council meeting.