

## **Enkele ervaringen van Engelse steden met UriLiften**

### **Colchester BC: Cllr Christopher Arnold, Portfolio Holder for Street Services and Waste**

... "We are determined to work with the police to eradicate the now-common practice of urination in town centre shop doorways by late-night revellers. The UriLift will help to quell this problem, offering men a public toilet facility after pubs and clubs close up for the night. From now on, there will be absolutely no excuse for this disgusting behaviour...."UriLift will send a very clear message to all that we expect people to respect Colchester's town centre by keeping it clean"...

### **Taunton Deane : Lucy Ball, Town Centre Manager:**

... "We had to take action. In addition to late night drinking, the existing public toilets are closed at night because they were being used for sleeping or drugs"... "Working with the police and local pub owners, we concluded that the UriLift, which is being installed right in the town centre where it is most needed, offered the best solution. Fortunately, local surveys indicated that this was also the best location for access to essential utilities." ...

### **Cornwall, Restormel BC: Tony Pope, Head of Waste and Parks:**

... "Newquay is not only a popular holiday resort, but has become a favourite destination for "stag" and "hen" weekends. This has exacerbated the growing problem of late-night drinking and urinating in the streets. We researched the problem in detail and, following the pilot scheme, we are confident that the three UriLifts, which will be strategically located in the area where most of the pubs and clubs are located, will provide a permanent solution to the problem in time for the holiday season."...

### **Stroud, Karen Sands, manager of the M&Co :**

... "Initially, I was a little concerned about it having the UriLift right outside our shop display, but that really won't be an issue as it is underground during the day. We regularly have people urinating in our doorway and even through our letterbox, so this will be a welcome feature in addressing the problem"...

### **Cllr Nigel Cooper**

... "Whilst it is an offence to urinate in public, it still happens. It is quite disgusting and very upsetting for businesses in the town who have to clean up the mess every weekend. Up until now, we as a council, have been unable to do anything about it."...

### **Belfast spokesman:**

... "With many public toilets forced to close at nights for safety reasons, these unique 'pop'up' urinals have proven popular with civic authorities in the Netherlands and Denmark, among other countries. The 'UriLift' is seen by an increasing number of public authorities across the United Kingdom and Europe as a unique, hygienic and affordable solution to the problem of public urination"...

### **Edinburgh Cllr Chris Wigglesworth, councillor for the Grassmarket area:**

... "There is a real need to do something in the Grassmarket about the number of people urinating in the streets and this sounds like an idea worth exploring. Dealing with people urinating in the street is a drain on police resources, although anyone caught short could say with some justification that there are a lack of late-night public toilet facilities in Edinburgh." ...

**City centre manager Ian Broadfoot:**

... "We are committed to working with our partners in the council and the business community to discuss a variety of measures aimed at enhancing customer facilities in the city centre. We are looking at introducing "pop-up toilets" in the city's busiest drinking thoroughfares to curb complaints from local home and business owners."...

**Durham: Chief Insp Dave Hogg:**

" told the North Durham Licensing Committee that the licensing scheme was 'very, very successful'. He also told the magistrates that the city's rising UriLift toilet - paid for by Walkabout - was successful and a second one would be installed shortly. He said the city was getting more 'high class' nightspots.

**London Westminster spokesman :**

... "We have been very pleased with the UriLifts. The immediate areas where they are installed are now far cleaner, and local traders and residents are delighted. There seems little doubt that these units could offer major benefits in many other town and city areas."...

**Reading Borough Council spokesman:**

..." We looked into a number of options and concluded that the UriLift solution was by far the best. Since their installation in two locations here, we have had far fewer problems, local retailers and the police are happy and the surrounding streets are much cleaner. The UriLift is easy to clean, extremely robust and resistant to vandalism. We are actively considering installing them in other locations in the borough."...