

## Pavement licences - How can local authorities consider security?

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When considering public health and safety, local authorities should seek to ensure a balanced consideration for security implications, particularly the risk to groups of people from interaction with hostile vehicles, and the creation of large crowds in new public spaces.

The impact of several pavement licences in an area may result in larger, distributed, or dense crowds of people.



Local authorities should factor this into the security planning process and ensure the overall security arrangements for an area are adapted as appropriate. Examples of appropriate measures could include increased CCTV surveillance, manned guarding, vehicle security barriers and ACT (Action Counters Terrorism) training for businesses. Find more information about [ACT Awareness Products here](#).

Local authorities should consider consulting with Police Licensing Teams, Designing Out Crime Officers and Counter Terrorism Security Advisors for relevant advice.

NPSA (formerly CPNI) provide [guidance for managing the most common security implications](#) and how to protect crowds and queues of people. This includes information on suggested Counter Terrorism licence considerations, which local authorities are encouraged to consider when determining pavement licence applications.

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