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## CITY COUNCIL AND UNIPOL ACT TO CONTROL LETTING BOARDS

FROM MAY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL, UNIPOL WILL BE DEVELOPING A SCHEME TO CONTROL THE USE OF 'TO-LET' BOARDS displayed on properties.

'To-Let' boards are a blight upon many streets in neighbourhoods with large numbers of shared houses (HMOs) making them unattractive to established residents and students alike. Unipol is currently consulting with the Council, residents, landlords and students to devise a voluntary scheme to restrict the use of lettings boards.

For a six-month trial period beginning in May, landlords will be asked to join the scheme and agree to limit their usage of boards. The scheme has the full backing of Nottingham City Council. Cllr Dave Trimble, Nottingham City Councillor for Dunkirk and Lenton Ward, said that *"Nottingham City Council will be giving its full support to this new proposed scheme and we hope it will also find the support of Nottingham's landlord community."*

## LETTING BOARDS CONSULTATION MEETINGS YOUR VIEWS ARE IMPORTANT

In conjunction with the City Council and the Nottingham Action Group, Unipol are holding the following open meetings where residents can make their views known before the voluntary scheme takes effect in May:

### MONDAY, 16 MARCH

7.15 pm, St. Mary's Church Hall, Wollaton Hall Drive, Wollaton Park

### WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH

6.30 pm, Thomas Helwys Church, Church Street, Lenton

### WEDNESDAY, 15 APRIL

7.15 pm, St. Mary's Church Hall, Wollaton Hall Drive, Wollaton Park

In particular, Unipol wants feedback from local residents about the details and restrictions of the scheme. For example, restrictions could include regulating the number of boards any one

agent/landlord can display per street, the size and type of boards used, the way that the boards are displayed and the time of year that boards are permitted to be in place.

## LETTING BOARD MAP

A map of the neighbourhoods where it is proposed to apply restrictions on letting boards has been prepared and is reprinted on Page 2 of this issue of News Desk.

**IS YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD IN THE PROPOSED  
RESTRICTION AREA? TAKE A LOOK AT P.2  
OVERLEAF**

## UNIPOL GARDEN SURVEY

SO FAR AROUND 1,300 PROPERTIES HAVE BEEN ACCREDITED UNDER THE UNIPOL DASH CODE. ON THURSDAY, 7 MAY, UNIPOL WILL BE INSPECTING hundreds of gardens at accredited properties in local neighbourhood to make sure they comply with the Code.

Faye Powell, Unipol's Accreditation Officer is looking forward to the Garden Survey and said, *"After the first round of inspections last summer, there were some real transformations of poor gardens, and it's hoped it will have the same impact this time too."*

## THE NAG NEEDS YOUR HELP

THE NOTTINGHAM ACTION GROUP IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP UNIPOL WITH THE GARDEN SURVEY, SO IF YOU ARE FREE ON THE day and want to help, please get in touch as soon as possible. It could be good fun, and will help to make our neighbourhood environments nicer.

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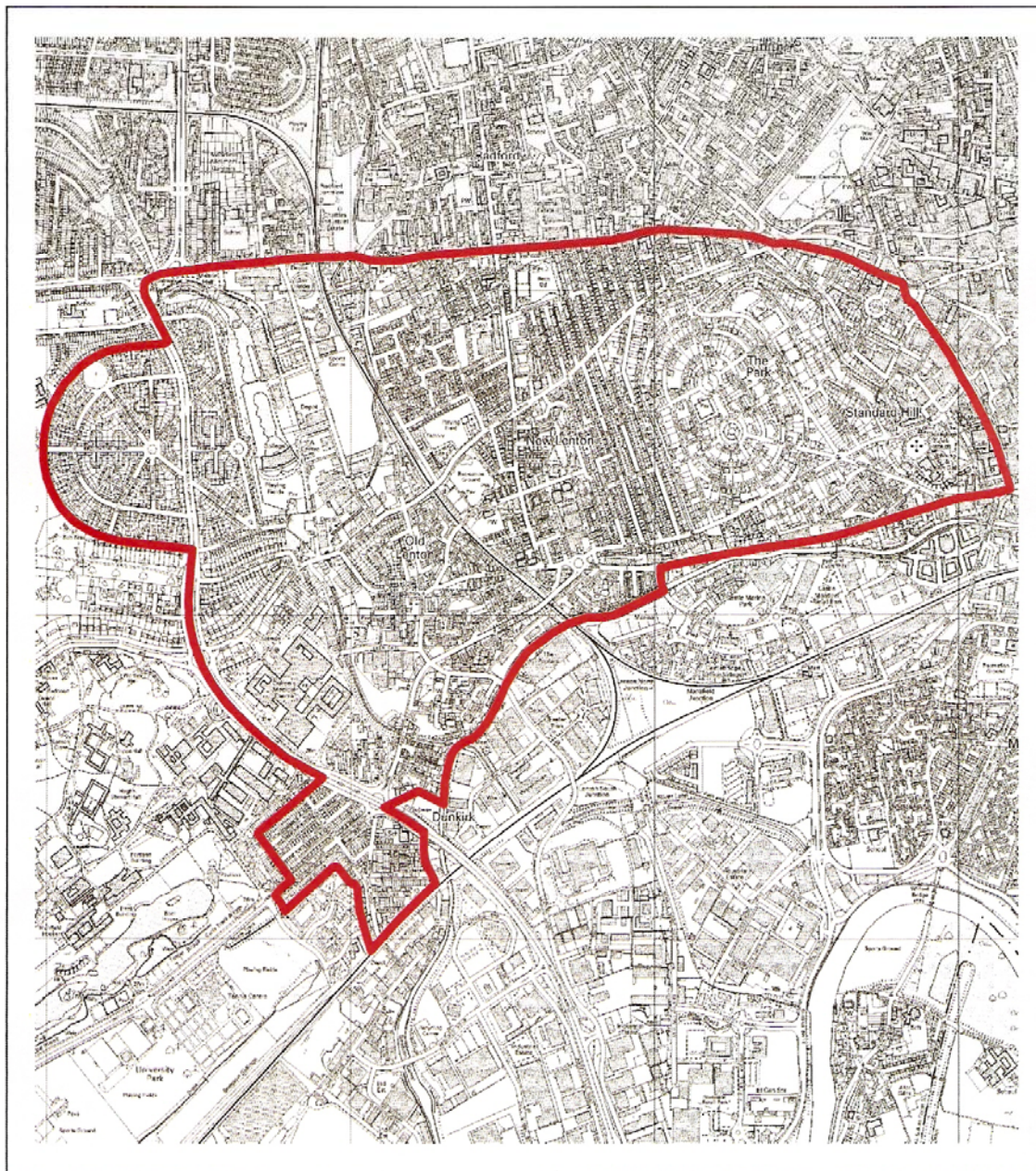
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## Key



Area To Be Considered

400 200 0 400 Meters

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