# Buying alcohol for young people... so what's the problem?

## Skelmersdale

- It is illegal to buy alcohol on behalf of someone who is under 18.
- Drinking alcohol can be harmful to the health, development and wellbeing of young people.
- Underage drinking is often linked with anti-social behaviour, litter and other problems within communities.
- A young person who has been drinking may take more risks and is more likely to become a victim of crime or violence.

## Don't pass it on!

Sometimes people aged over 18 buy alcohol on behalf of young people; many young people also get hold of alcohol at home.

Supplying alcohol to an underage person is illegal. You could get a **£90** on-the-spot fine or end up in court with a criminal record and an **unlimited fine** 



### **Partners**

West Lancashire Borough Council, Lancashire County Council, Lancashire Police, Lancashire Fire and Rescue, schools, young person charities, alcohol retailers and the community

#### For more Information

Email: CJ.NPT@lancashire.pnn.police.uk Tel: 01695 566058

For more information on the harms underage drinking can lead to go to www.drinkaware.co.uk



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