

To whom it may concern,

I have been a night life participator since 1984 and in this time I have seen it all. I was a DJ now a promoter. There are so many reasons why there is violence etc but one main one that is a constant in my mind is CHEAP security that do not fit in with our clubbing culture, they have bad attitudes and abuse their power. They give of negative energy and make people feel guilty for wanting to party. I've also seen police belt into one person when there was about 10 of them. They too have bad attitudes toward party goers. The other is the legal age of drinking. 18 year olds back in the day were much more mature and were not influenced by the likes of Facebook and all the rest of social media. Please consider raising the age to 21. Under 21's are the main trouble makers.

My next point that I would like to make is as a 48 year old person who can handle booze etc gets treated like a child we get locked out as well with no regard to our age. Maybe there should be a certain age that gets locked out? Having said that when you lock people out of a venue then they wonder the streets and make more trouble. Lock outs only cause problems as appose to controlling the problem.

Thankyou

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