



# Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003

## 2003 CHAPTER 38

### PART 3

#### PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

##### *Criminal conduct and anti-social behaviour*

#### **[<sup>F1</sup>26C Applications under section 26A or 26B in county court proceedings**

- (1) Where a local authority or [<sup>F2</sup>relevant housing provider] (a “relevant authority”)—
- (a) is a party to proceedings in [<sup>F3</sup>the county court] , and
  - (b) considers that a party to those proceedings is a person in relation to whom it would be reasonable for it to make an application for a parenting order under section 26A or 26B (a “parenting order application”),
- it may make such an application to that court in relation to that person.
- (2) Where—
- (a) a relevant authority considers that a party to proceedings in [<sup>F3</sup>the county court] is a person in relation to whom it would be reasonable for it to make a parenting order application, but
  - (b) the relevant authority is not a party to those proceedings,
- it may apply to be joined to those proceedings to enable it to make a parenting order application.
- (3) Where—
- (a) there are proceedings in [<sup>F3</sup>the county court] to which a relevant authority is a party, and
  - (b) the relevant authority considers that a child or young person has engaged in anti-social behaviour that is material in relation to the proceedings,
- the relevant authority may apply for a person who is a parent of the child or young person to be joined to the proceedings to enable it to make a parenting order application in relation to him.

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- (4) A person must not be joined to proceedings in pursuance of subsection (3) unless the anti-social behaviour in question is material in relation to those proceedings.]

**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Ss. 26A-26C inserted (1.8.2007 for E.) by [Police and Justice Act 2006 \(c. 48\)](#), **ss. 24**, 53(1); S.I. 2007/1614, [art. 3\(a\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 26C(1) substituted (1.4.2010) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/866\)](#), [art. 1\(2\)](#), **Sch. 2 para. 123** (with [art. 6](#), [Sch. 3](#))
- F3** Words in [ss. 26A-28](#) substituted (22.4.2014) by [Crime and Courts Act 2013 \(c. 22\)](#), [s. 61\(3\)](#), **Sch. 9 para. 52**; S.I. 2014/954, [art. 2\(c\)](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (with transitional provisions and savings in S.I. 2014/956, [arts. 3-11](#))

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