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Eddie McDonald submission of 7 December 2020

I have just read an article in today's Daily Record re "trampolines should be regulated". Before I read the article, I thought I would be in the minority about this issue, so it was good to see it has affected a lot more people.

I presume, due to the Committee's comments, that members do not live next to any trampolines, can I therefore inform you of the misery it has caused me over the last 3/4 years. The screaming and shouting, sometimes up to 8 unruly children on them at any one time, jumping high and staring at me.

On several occasions, kids were allowed to be on it until after 9pm, making a heck of a noise. The majority of houses surrounding me have large trampolines, and all make excessive noise, the squeaky trampolines and the children.

I have tried several times to make households aware of the excessive noise but to no avail, in fact I received a letter stating that "they were only children playing".

I admit I am of the older generation now but I brought up children to understand if they were too noisy they would be told to respect their neighbours, I have never heard a parent telling the children to keep the noise down.

It has now got to the stage that I am considering moving house. I dread school holidays and wish it would rain more often.

I agree totally with the petitioner that these items have caused misery for millions of neighbours and we can't do a thing about it.

Please review your statement "feels over regulated" and tell us what can be done about getting our gardens back and therefore look forward to your response.