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However, from wherever it emanates, the acts of *boycott* taking place in our community must stop - and stop **NOW**. I call on all those with influence in our community to do everything in their power to put an end to this unacceptable and appalling activity."

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I argued repeatedly &
got nowhere - got my
first "tut" from Iris.

P.S. - I thought Joe English
would support me - he said a
few positive things - but then
said Green should be seen to
be working - I said - to make thing
better - not worse.

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PRESS RELEASE

BOYCOTT

Following today's meeting of the Public Order Committee the Chairman of the Public Order Committee of the Forum, Mr Cedric Wilson, said "*Boycott* is the most cruel form of intimidation and is a festering sore on the body of our community. It is the complete opposite of 'community relations', and those who use it are dismantling the very building blocks of peace and reconciliation which have been carefully constructed over a number of years.

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