



## Motorhead, 1979

Transcription of excerpts from interviews with  
Iain McNay, Bruce Enzer, Mary Simcox and Simon Murphy (2018)

**Iain:** Yeah, when we had Motorhead, they came on really late, maybe about ten o'clock, which was pretty unfair because people had to get home, it was a weekday night. And then we had to have, there was a curfew, we had to have the power off maybe 11:30, I think the time. And they were still playing away, and I think Will had said to them, "You've got to stop playing," and they wouldn't, so in the end I told the manager to just switch the power off. And they were furious.

**Bruce:** Motorhead were just a force of nature. I think that's the only way I can describe them.

**Mary:** Well, we lived at the top of Clarence Road, so as near as you could get really. So I was right near the entrance of Priory Park. I think it was the first time I'd heard the band, it must have been summertime, my bedroom window would have been open, and I'd say they probably opened the doors at the Winter Gardens because it would have got hot. But I remember lying in bed feeling this vibration, this rumbling in my stomach. And then the next day someone said Motorhead played. So that, I can say, is the only time I *felt* a gig.

**Simon:** The urban myth that went around, I was never at this gig, but the first time Motorhead played there, legend has it that when they hit the first chord the doors at the back blew open.

*Transcripts of the full interviews are available from Rock Around the Hills  
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