

CORPORATE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Date	9 th February 2022
Report Title	Public Space Protection Order to promote responsible dog ownership
Report of	Director of Place
Report will comprise	Written report
Summary of report:	
<p>The Council introduced a Public Space Protection Order in 2018 to promote responsible dog ownership. Public Space Protection Orders were the replacement for Dog Control Orders which were phased out in 2014. PSPOs are time limited. Following a public consultation and approval from Cllr Bailey as Cabinet Member the intention is to replicate the previous PSPO for a further three years in line with the relevant legislation.</p>	
Recommendations:	
<p>The PSPO should be renewed. This will need to be approved at Full Council</p>	
<p>Approve the report and recommendations to go to Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee for comment before going to Cabinet</p>	
Policy Implications:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a continuation of a previous policy with some very minor changes to play areas included • The consultation didn't identify any areas of inequalities. 	
Resource Implications:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No additional enforcement resources are identified. The previous order has been effectively self-policing in many aspects • The Council continues to maintain a dog warden with primary responsibility for ensuring effective enforcement but can supplement this with additional staff 	

Statutory Requirements:

If the recommendations in this report are implemented the Council will still be able to meet its minimum statutory requirements;

With advice from Legal Services

Yes advice on process needed to

	implement the order
Without advice	

Consultations and Comments:

Consultees	Public consultation took place via the Council website and "Have your say" Copies of the consultation were sent to The Kennel Club and The Dogs Trust as two of the main dog welfare organisations.
Councillor Consultations	Cllr Bailey as Portfolio Holder supported the introduction of the original order and has reviewed the report on consultation undertaken
Comments – Corporate Director	The previous order has been effective in promoting responsible dog ownership. The order should be renewed to allow for enforcement to take place when appropriate.

Where is this report going next and when:	Date:
Communities and Housing Scrutiny Committee	28/2/22
Has the relevant portfolio holder been briefed?	Yes

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