

DRAFT Public Spaces Protection Order – Gating of Goodacre

Peterborough City Council ("the Council") in exercise of the power under section 61 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, being satisfied that the conditions set out in section 59 of the Act have been met make the following order:

1. The land described by the map attached and shown edged red being land in the area of the Council is land to which the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 applies and will be protected by the making of this Order as set out in the First Schedule.
2. The Order may be cited as the Goodacre Public Spaces Protection Order and shall come into force on XX October 2020 for duration of three years.
3. This Order supersedes the previous Goodacre Gating Order which converted to a Public Spaces Protection Order on 20th October 2017.

4. The Council is satisfied that the two conditions below have been met, in that:

(a) activities carried on in the designated area as stated below, have had a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality, or it is likely that these activities will be carried on in the public place and that they will have such an effect.

The said activities are: anti-social behaviour and criminal damage which is likely to cause harassment, alarm and distress.

(b) that the effect, or likely effect of the activities described above, is, or is likely to be, of a persistent or continuing nature, is, or is likely to be, such as to make the activities unreasonable, and justifies the restrictions imposed by this Order.

5. The effect of the Order is to impose the following conditions on the use of the land:

- (a) To restrict (prohibit) the public right of way at all times at either end of the highway which runs between 8 and 9 Goodacre and the garages of 11 and 12 Goodacre (hereinafter referred to as the 'restricted area' and indicated on the map) by all persons except for occupiers of premises adjoining or adjacent thereto and owners of such premises, council officers and those authorised by the council, the emergency services and other service providers as listed in the Second Schedule.
- (b) To authorise the erection and maintenance of gates at both ends of the restricted area in order to enforce the restriction.
- (c) Alternative routes for public passage are via the main carriageway and several other highway footpaths in Goodacre and Bathurst, Orton Goldhay.
- (d) In this area any person who fails to comply with any of these conditions commits an offence.

6. A person guilty of an offence under conditions (a) or (d) above, under section 67 of the Act is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale or fixed penalty notice of a maximum £100.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Lengths of Highway: All that highway that runs from its junction with Goodacre in a northerly direction terminating at the entrances to the garages of numbers 11 and 12 Goodcare and all the interconnecting highway that runs there in a southerly direction from the aforementioned location terminating at the sides of 8 and 9 Goodacre, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough.

SECOND SCHEDULE
Persons

1. All owners and all occupiers of premises adjoining the highway
2. Police, Fire and Rescue Service and NHS Trust/Foundation Trust staff when in exercise of their duties
3. Persons using the Highway in connection with the laying, erection, inspection, maintenance, alteration, repair, renewal or removal in or near the said length of highway of any sewer, main, pipe, conduit, wire, cable or other apparatus for the supply of gas, water, electricity or of any electronic communications apparatus as defined in Schedule 3A to the Communications Act 2003.
4. Council staff and its authorised contractors when in exercise of their duties
5. Persons using the Highway with the permission or at the direction of a duly authorised council officer in this regard

GIVEN under the Common Seal of the Council of the City of Peterborough on the XX day of October 2020

The Common Seal of
Peterborough City Council was
affixed in the presence of:



- GATING ORDER A - GARAGES OF NO'S 11 & 12 GOODACRE
B - NO'S 8 & 9 GOODACRE (IN RED)
- ALL ALTERNATIVE ROUTES ARE VIA FOOTPATH ----

Review of (Gating) Public Space Protection Orders July 2020 – Goodacre

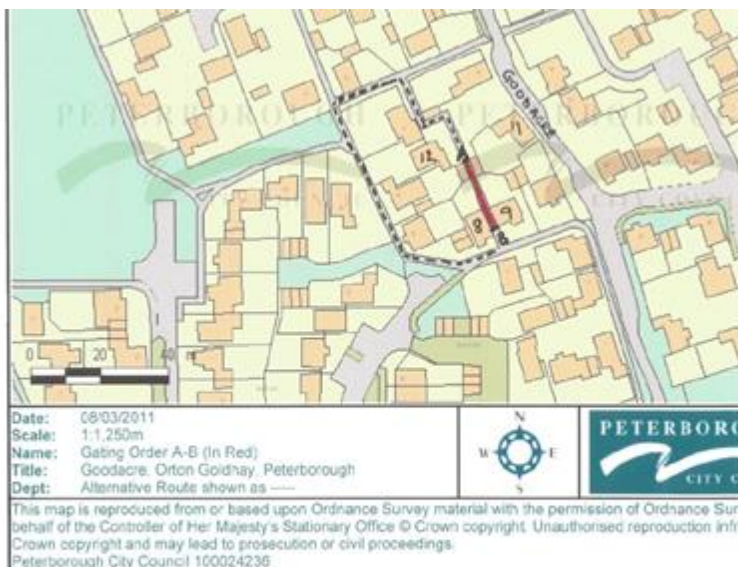
The Goodacre Gating Order was implemented in September 2011 which was prior to the ASB, Crime & Policy Act 2014. This act replaced Gating Orders with Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) and made provisions for existing Gating Orders to convert to PSPOs in October 2017. PSPOs have a duration of 3 years, therefore for any order to continue it must be reviewed and re-implemented prior to the expiry date which is 20th October 2020.

A review has been conducted of the Goodacre gating PSPO by consulting directly with relevant partners, taking into consideration calls to the Police, Local Authority and Cross Keys Homes. Key partners who have been consulted are:

- Peterborough City Council’s Highways Service
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary’s Architectural Liaison Officer
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary’s Neighbourhood Policing Teams for Eastern, Northern and Southern sectors
- Cross Keys Homes

Background information:

Gating was implemented in September 2011. This is a lateral footpath between two privately owned residential properties at one end and two detached garages belonging to another two properties at the other. The issues raised by the residents prior to gating related to groups of young people gathering beneath the canopy between the garages. Issues included criminal damage and anti-social behaviour, including drug taking. Patrols made of the area prior to gating continually showed evidence of damage to the garage canopy, graffiti on the garage walls and debris related to cannabis usage. The issues of crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) were long standing, going back over 4 years prior to gating. There was significant data to suggest that ASB directly related to the footpaths was affecting the lives of residents and the neighbouring residents were all in favour of closure or gating of the alleyway.



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Consultation with partners:

Cambridgeshire Constabulary's Architectural Liaison Officer advised that in the period from July 2017 to 19th May 2020 there were 14 incidents reported in Goodacre – none of which mention the gated alleyway. Reviewing comments made in 2017 would suggest that this gating order has been successful.

Cross Keys Homes had no comments or concerns relating to the alley gating.

The local Neighbourhood Policing Team consider that the gates are serving their purpose and issues in the relevant area are low.

Peterborough City Council's Highways service also had no comments or concerns relating to the gated alleyway.

Assessment and recommendations: the evidence would indicate that the gates have been effective in preventing crime and anti-social behaviour at the location. It is therefore proposed that gates should remain for a further 3 years and the necessary consultation for re-implementing the gating PSPO is conducted.