

DRAFT Public Spaces Protection Order - Peterborough City Centre

Peterborough City Council ("the Council") in exercise of the power under section 60 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.
2. The Order may be cited as the Peterborough City Centre Public Spaces Protection Order and shall come into force on XX May 2023 for duration of three years.
3. This Order supersedes the previous Public Spaces Protection Order for the City Centre dated 13 May 2020.
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, street drinking, urination, defecation, littering, spitting, cycling in breach of the Traffic Regulation Order and begging 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) In this area any person who continues to carry out activities from which they are prohibited commits an offence namely;

1. Persons within the area, on the request of a Police Constable, Police Community Support Officer or an authorised Council Officer are to comply with the request to dispose of or surrender any containers of alcohol in their possession or disperse from the order area and not return within 6 hours, unless for a lawful reason.
2. No urination and/or defecation in a public place other than within designated public toilets.
3. No begging within 10 metres of a cash or payment machine or begging in a manner which is aggressive or intimidating or is likely to cause someone to feel harassed, alarmed or distressed.
4. No unauthorised cycling (i.e. in Bridge Street).
5. Cyclists to dismount if requested to do so by an authorised officer if they are of the opinion that the cyclist is riding in a manner likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress.
6. It is an offence under this order for any individual(s) to cause harassment, alarm or distress to any individual(s) by committing anti-social behaviour. Examples may include: use of offensive or abusive language, acting in an aggressive manner.
7. Any individual is to disperse from the designated order area and not return within 6 hours, unless for a lawful reason, if requested to do so by an authorised officer if the officer is of the opinion that the individual is causing harassment, alarm or distress.

8. No littering or spitting. It is an offence to throw down, drop or otherwise deposit and then leave, litter in any place in the open air in the defined area.

(b) 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 (b) 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.

GIVEN under the Common Seal of the Council of the City of Peterborough on the XX day of May 2023

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