

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER SCHEME OF DELEGATION BY MEMBER OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM IN CONSULTATION WITH PORTFOLIO HOLDER/COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN



SMT Member:	Jennifer Mullin
Service Group:	Neighbourhoods & Development
Portfolio Holder/Chairman:	Councillor Susan Jones
Portfolio/Committee:	Environment

Subject: Extension of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) pursuant to the powers contained in section 59 to 65 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 relating to the control of dogs on Council owned Open Spaces.

Decision: To approve the consultation process.

Details and Reasoning:

Background
 The Council adopted PSPO's relating to the control of dogs in November 2017, these orders are in operation for a period of three years and the current orders expire in November 2020.

The current PSPO's require dog owners to:

- Keep their dog on a lead in specified locations.
- Put their dog on a lead if asked to do so by a police officer, police community support officer or an officer of the Council.
- Stop their dog going to certain places – like farmland or certain parts of the park.
- Remove their dogs' faeces following defecation.
- Carry a suitable receptacle for the removal of faeces at all times.

Details & Proposals
 In accordance with statutory requirements, prior to the approval of the renewal of PSPO's the Council is required to undertake formal consultation. The act does not define the level of appropriate consultation. However as previously the Council will consult with the Chief Police Officer for the area, The police & Crime Commissioner, The County Council, partnerships, local communities and community representatives.

The PSPO's will be published for statutory public consultation for a period of four weeks. Consultation will be by way of consultation letters, a notice in the local press, on the Councils website and via social media.

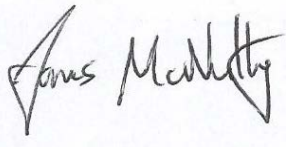
Wider Implications (including Financial, Legal, Equality and Risk): Financial – The implementation of consultation will incur costs of approximately £1500, which will be met from revenue budgets.

Legal – at this stage what is being approved is simply the consultation process. We will do everything reasonably practicable to make that as robust as possible. Following on from the completion of the consultation process a formal decision will be required as to whether all or any of the PSPO's should be extended.
 Equality – None
 Risk -.Should the PSPO's not be extended the Council will have no vehicle for enforcement in relation to dogs.


Report attached?
 Exempt from publication?
 If exempt, give reason(s):

No
No


Signed:


Date: 03/09/20

Financial Management


Date: 03/09/20

Legal Services


Date: 02/09/20

SMT Member

Cllr Sue Jones (Electronically signed)
Date:

Portfolio Holder/
 Chairman

Publication Date (DST use):

CA 04/09/20

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