

Town and Parish Council

Your ref: My ref:

Date: 29th May 2020

Dear Town/Parish Council,

Comments regarding temporary 12-month renewal of existing dog control Public Spaces Protection Orders which will expire in October 2020.

We are writing to you to seek your views regarding the following four dog control Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO) in Cornwall, which are due for renewal in October 2020.

- i) The Fouling of Land by Dogs (Cornwall) Order https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/media/42417703/dog-fouling-order.pdf
- ii) The Dogs on leads by Direction (Cornwall Council) Order https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/media/42557408/dogs-on-leads-by-direction-order-no-1-2011.pdf
- iii) The Cornwall Council Public Space Protection (Dogs on Leads) Order 2017 https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/media/28764602/sealed-dogs-on-leads-pspo-05-10-17.pdf
- iv) The Cornwall Council Public Space Protection (Dog Exclusion) Order 2017 https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/media/28764598/sealed-dog-exclusion-pspo-05-10-17.pdf

The Antisocial Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 allows a maximum time period of 3 years for a PSPO to remain in place and the 4 PSPOs listed above are all due to expire in October 2020. This process is not related to the Season Restrictions for dogs on beaches consultation that was conducted by Cornwall Council in 2019.

Section 72 of the Act specifies that local authorities must consult with local Town and Parish Councils, land owners as well as the Police prior to the creation of a PSPO.

Given the current national situation regarding the Coronavirus (Covid 19) Pandemic it would be extremely difficult to carry out an effective review of existing controls through a consultation process and as an alternative it is our intention to renew the existing PSPO's aforementioned, with the current conditions, for another 12 months, and then to fully consult on their 3-year renewal next year (i.e. 2021) instead.

In this regard I would be grateful if you could let us know if you have any objections to this approach and if so, why and what alternatives you may suggest. We would appreciate your comments prior to the 21st August 2020, which should be sent to the following email address, communityandenvironmentalprotection@cornwall.gov.uk, ensuring the title of your responses is headed as 'PSPO renewal Oct 2020', so that our admin team can clearly identify responses.

If you would like further information or would like to discuss the matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or my team.

Yours sincerely,

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