

Appendix: Draft List of Proposed PSPO Conditions for Consultation

The Council is proposing to consult on the introduction of a borough-wide Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). The consultation will seek views on the following potential conditions:

1. Alcohol-Related Anti-Social Behaviour

- Requirement to cease consuming alcohol in a public place when directed to do so by an authorised officer.
- Requirement to surrender alcohol where an authorised officer reasonably believes that its consumption is associated with anti-social behaviour.

2. Anti-Social Behaviour and Public Nuisance

- Prohibition of behaviour, whether by individuals or groups, which causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm, or distress to others.
- Prohibition of gathering in groups where such behaviour results in nuisance, anti-social behaviour, or criminal conduct.
- Prohibition of aggressive or persistent begging where this causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm, or distress to others.

3. Dog Control and Responsible Ownership

- Requirement for a person in control of a dog to immediately remove dog fouling.
- Requirement for a person in control of a dog to ensure it is kept under proper control at all times.
- Requirement for a person in control of a dog to place the dog on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised officer.
- Prohibition of a dog behaving in a manner that causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm, or distress to any person.

4. Use of Bicycles, E-Scooters and Similar Vehicles

- Prohibition of the anti-social or dangerous use of bicycles, mopeds, e-bikes, or e-scooters in a manner that causes, or is likely to cause, nuisance, risk, harassment, alarm, or distress to others.

5. Public Health and Sanitation

- Prohibition of urinating or defecating in a public place, other than in designated public facilities.

6. Use of Face Coverings for Anti-Social Behaviour

- Prohibition on wearing face coverings where this is done with the intention of concealing identity in order to engage in behaviour that causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm, or distress.
- This restriction will not apply where face coverings are worn for legitimate reasons, including religious, cultural, or medical purposes.

7. Amplified Sound and Noise Nuisance

- Prohibition of amplified street entertainment, busking, public speaking, preaching, music, or the use of sound equipment in a public place where it causes, or is likely to cause, nuisance, harassment, alarm, or distress to others.

8. Possession and Use of Catapults and Projectiles

- Prohibition of possessing or using catapults and other projectile devices in a public place where their use causes, or is likely to cause, harassment, alarm, distress, nuisance, damage, or risk to persons, animals, or property.

9. Feeding of Wildlife

- Prohibition of feeding wildlife, or deliberately leaving food for wildlife or vermin, where this causes, or is likely to cause, nuisance, environmental harm, public health concerns, or the attraction of vermin.
- Appropriate exemptions may apply in designated or authorised areas, such as parks, which will be clearly defined.

Final Conditions

The final set of conditions will be determined following public consultation and consideration of the supporting evidence base.