

FOI number: **HBC_FOI_20200137**
Date FOI Received: **11/02/2020**
Department: **Environmental Health**
Title: **Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs)**
Description: **Details of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) relating to dogs and their impact.**

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

I would like to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information act (2000). With your help, we plan to piece together an accurate map of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) across the UK, allowing dog walkers to better understand the restrictions that are in place on a national level.

The PSPOs relating to dogs could be:

- Fouling of Land by Dogs Order
- Means to Pick Up
- Dog Exclusion Order
- Dog Exclusion Order & Beaches
- Dog Exclusion and Sport Pitches
- Dogs on Leads Order
- Dogs on Lead by Direction Order
- Taking more than a specified number of dogs onto a land Order

There may be other PSPOs in place involving dogs that we are not aware of and would like information of in this request if they are currently in place within your council.

With this in mind; could you please provide me with this information by filling in the table on the attached document?

1. In the 1st column, please list all the PSPOs relating to dog ownership that your council currently have in place. Please add a new row for each separate PSPO. If no PSPOs relating to dog ownership are in place in your council, please write 'None' in column 1, and return in form to us.
2. In the 2nd column, please list the locations and nearest postcodes of the areas where PSPOs are in place.
3. In the 3rd column, please state what date this PSPO came into force.
4. In the 4th column, please state how many fixed penalty notice fines have been issued to dog owners for violating this order since it was implemented.
5. In the 5th column, please state any evidence you have seen that the PSPO has had an impact on the issue it was put in place to address (for example: if the PSPO was put in place to reduce dog fouling, has there been a reduction in the number of complaints about dog fouling?)

Further to this request, we would be interested in discussing PSPOs that your council currently have or do not have in place. In the 2nd table, please check the box if you would be happy for us to contact the most appropriate person at the council for further information.

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

1. List of PSPOs involving dogs	2. Areas where PSPO has been applied (location, name and postcode)	3. Date the orders came into force	4. Number of fixed penalty notice fines	5. Impact of PSPO
Fouling of Land	Any land within the borough of Hertsmere	2010	2	Reduction in complaints relating to dog fouling
Dog Exclusion Order	Children's play area open to air, all weather sports pitches	2010	2	Reduced complaints of dogs in children's play areas
Dogs on Lead by Direction Order	Any land within the borough of Hertsmere	2010	0	No impact

Please indicate if you are happy for use to contact your council to discuss the use of PSPOs in your area, and if so the name and contact details of the appropriate person

I am happy for you to contact us <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name of appropriate contact at the council: Lesley Lee	Their contact details: Hertsmere Borough Council, Civic Offices, Elstree Way, Borehamwood, Herts WD6 1WA 0208 207 7435 Lesley.lee@hertsmere.gov.uk
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