

Appendix 1 – Dog Control Orders

1-3 are existing Dog Control Orders which have converted to PSPOs
4 was a Dog Control Order which has been removed from the PSPOs

1. Dog Fouling

If within the administrative area of the Authority a dog defecates at any time on land to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission and a person who is in charge of the dog at the time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless:

- He/she has reasonable excuse for doing so; or
- The owner, or occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his/her failing to do so.

2. Leads by Order

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, within the administrative area of the Authority he/she does not comply with a direction given to him/her by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and keep the dog on a lead unless:

- He/she has reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- The owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his/her failing to do so.

An authorised officer of the Authority may only give a direction under this order if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a nuisance or behaviour by the dog that is likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person, or to a bird or other animal.

3. Exclusion

A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, he/she takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on or in a fenced/enclosed children's play area or the playing surface of any designated or marked out sports pitch or athletic area at any time within the administrative area of the Authority unless:

- He/she has reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- The owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his/her failing to do so.

4. Not keeping a dog on a lead

Dog walkers will be required to keep dogs on leads on all land within the Council's administrative area which comprises a highway, footway, cycleway or footpath or any grass verge which is adjacent to the carriageway or footway and is maintainable at public expense, which is subject to a 40 mph speed limit or less.