

Dorset Council consultation on a Dog related Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)

You have been identified as being a stakeholder in the above consultation.

I write to invite you to respond to the Council's consultation concerning dog control in the Dorset Council area (not including Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole).

The Council is required to consult on any Order produced under the Antisocial Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 every three years, to ensure that they continue to be current and appropriate. This proposal aims to help ensure consistency, fairness and clarity for residents and visitors to Dorset and will assist the efficient use of enforcement resources.

The current Order expires on 31 December 2023. From 1 January 2024 we will need to either extend the current Order (if unamended) or provide a new Order if changes are required. A public consultation is required for either option. The public consultation will run from 14 June 2023 until 25 August 2023 and can be accessed on the [Dorset Council website](#). Results will be published online and will guide councillors' decision making for the PSPO relating to dog control. It would be much appreciated if you could give 15-20 minutes of your time, to complete the survey.

It would be appreciated if the survey link can be shared in any parish or town magazine, discussed in council meeting(s), and/or placed on any notice board to encourage as many views as possible. We can provide posters (designed with a QR code that enables access to the online survey) that local community centres/ pavilions etc can display to encourage participation in the consultation (copy attached). Paper copies will also be available on request in local libraries, for those that are unable to use the online form. We will try our best to accommodate those with English as a second language or have difficulties with completing such surveys and ask that they contact the Council directly on 01305 221000 to ask for assistance.

For further information about the dog warden service in Dorset and the current Order visit <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/environmental-health/dog-warden-service.aspx>.

In anticipation of your assistance – thank you.

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