

#### LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

# ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME & POLICING ACT 2014

### PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2017 (as extended 2020)

Notice is hereby given that Leicester City Council ('the council') has made the following Order under section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ('the Act') as follows.

This Order may be cited as the Public Spaces Protection Order (Leicester City) 2020 and comes into force on the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020. This Order will have effect for a period of 3 years until the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

The order relates to all public places within the City of Leicester, the boundaries of which are edged in black on the plan attached to this order at schedule 1 ('the restricted area').

The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 60 (2 (a) (b)) of the Act have been met. Namely that Leicester City Council is satisfied that the extension of the Public Spaces Protection Order 2017 for a period of 3 years is necessary to prevent the activities identified in the order from occurrence or re-occurrence and to prevent an increase in the frequency or seriousness of those activities.

#### **PROHIBITIONS**

- 1. Persons shall not within the Restricted Area:
  - (a) Continue to consume alcohol when asked to stop by an authorised person, or
  - (b) Fail to surrender any alcohol in their possession when asked to do so by an authorised person
- 2. Persons shall not within the restricted Area:
  - (a) Continue to ingest, inhale, inject, smoke or otherwise use psychoactive substances when asked by an authorised person to stop, or
  - (b) Fail to surrender any psychoactive substance in their possession when asked to do so by an authorised person

A psychoactive substance is defined as: 'a substance with the capacity to stimulate or depress the central nervous system'.

Exemptions shall apply in cases where the substances are used for valid and demonstrable medicinal use, are cigarettes (tobacco) or vaporisers or are food stuffs regulated by food health and safety legislation.

3. Any alcohol or container for alcohol surrendered to an authorised person may be disposed of by an authorised person as they think appropriate in accordance with Section 63 (5) of the Act. An 'Authorised person' could be a Police Constable, Police Community Support Officer of a duly authorised officer of the Council.

## **FIXED PENALTY NOTICES AND OFFENCES**

- 1. It is an offence for a person without reasonable excuse to engage in any activity that is prohibited by this Order.
- 2. In accordance with Section 63 of the Act, a person found to be in breach of this Order by consuming alcohol or by refusing to surrender alcohol to an authorised person is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale (currently £500) or in accordance with Section 68 of the Act a Fixed Penalty Notice currently up to £100.
- 3. In accordance with Section 67 of the Act, a person found to be in breach of the Order, other that by consuming alcohol or by refusing to surrender alcohol to an authorised person, is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (currently £1000) or in accordance with Section 68 of the Act a Fixed Penalty Notice currently up to £100.

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## **Leicester City Boundary**

