#### LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

# ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER 2019 (Extended 2022) DOG CONTROL - FOULING

Leicester City Council has pursuant to Section 60 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 extended the Public Space Protection Order 2019 (Dog Control – Fouling) which came into force on 1st December 2019

The extended Public Space Protection Order comes into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 at midnight and will expire on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 11.59pm

The effect of the Order is as specified below

This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule below.

#### Offence

If a dog defecates at any time on the land to which this Order applies 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:

- (a) he has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.

Nothing in this article applies to a person who:

- (a) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
- (b) is deaf, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which the person relies for assistance
- (c) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical coordination or ability to lift; carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.

#### For the purpose of this article:

- (a) a person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog;
- (b) placing the faeces in a receptacle on the land which is provided for the purpose, or for the disposal of waste, shall be sufficient removal from the land;
- (c) being unaware of the defecation (whether by reason of not being in the vicinity or otherwise), or not having a device for or other suitable means of removing the faeces shall not be a reasonable excuse for failing to remove the faeces;
- (d) each of the following is a "prescribed charity":
  - (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454);

- (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281); and
- (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680).
- (iv) Hearing Dogs for Deaf People (registered charity number 293358)

### Penalty

A person who is guilty of an offence under this Order shall be liable to receive a Fixed Penalty Notice of £100 or on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale (£1,000)

Any queries regarding the Order should be made to customer services helpline on (0116) 4541000 or email <a href="mailto:parks@leicester.gov.uk">parks@leicester.gov.uk</a>.

THE COMMON SEAL OF THE LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL WAS HEREUNTO AFFIXED IN THE PRESENCE OF

**AUTHORISED SIGNATORY** 

DATED 19th OCTOBER 2027.

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## SCHEDULE (Description of Land to which Order applies)

This Order applies to all land within the administrative area of Leicester City Council and which is:-

- (a) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side); and
- (b) 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.