LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER 2019 (extended 2022) DOG CONTROL – DOGS ON LEADS

Leicester City Council has pursuant to Section 60 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 extended the Public Space Protection Order 2016(Dog Control – Dogs on Leads) which came into force on 1st December 2016

The extended Public Space Protection Order comes into effect on 1stDecember 2022 at midnight and will expire on 30th 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.

In this Order "an authorised officer of the Authority" means an employee of Leicester City Council who is authorised in writing by Leicester City Council for the purpose of giving directions under this Order.

Offence

A person in charge of a dog on the land to which this Order applies shall be guilty of an offence, if, at any time, he does not comply with a direction given by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and keep a dog on a lead 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.

For the purpose of this article:

- 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) an authorised officer of the Authority may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep a dog on a lead 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 any animal or bird.

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.

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

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SCHEDULE (Description of Land to which Orderapplies)

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.