#### **IPSWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

# Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 Public Spaces Protection Order (Dog Control and Dog Fouling) 2022

Ipswich Borough Council ("the Council") in exercise of its powers under Section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 ("the Act") and being satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 59 of the Act have been met, and that section 72 of the Act has been complied with, makes the following Order:

### **Definitions**

In this Order, the following definitions apply:

"Person in charge" means the person who has the dog in their possession, care or company at the time the offence is committed or, if none, the owner or person who habitually has the dog in their possession.

"Authorised Officer" means a police officer, police community support officer (PCSO), Council officer and persons authorised by the Council to enforce this Order.

"Working Dog" means dogs used by the police and other agencies for official purposes and dogs trained (or being trained) by a registered charity to assist a person who has a disability and upon which a disabled person relies for assistance.

"Proper Control" means a dog being on a lead or muzzled if the dog requires it, or otherwise being at heel or close enough to the person in charge that it can be restrained if necessary or respond immediately to voice commands.

- 1. This Order shall apply to the Borough of Ipswich as shown by a dashed red line on the map attached and marked "Map 1".
- 2. This Order may be cited as the Ipswich Borough Council Public Spaces Protection Order (Dog Control and Dog Fouling) 2022 and shall come into force on 03 February 2022 for a period of three years or until such time as it is varied, extended or revoked.
- 3. The Council in making this Order is satisfied on reasonable grounds that:
  - The activities set out at paragraph 4 below have been carried on in a public place within the Council's area and have had a detrimental effect to the quality of life of those living in the locality; and
  - b. The effect or likely effect of the activities:
  - (i) Is or is likely to be of a persistent or continuing nature,
  - (ii) Is or is likely to be such as to make the activities unreasonable; and
  - (iii) Justifies the restrictions imposed by this Order.

The Council is satisfied that the prohibitions or requirements imposed by this Order are reasonable to impose to prevent the detrimental effect of these activities from continuing, occurring or recurring, or to reduce that detrimental effect or to reduce the risk of its continuance, occurrence or recurrence.

- 4. The activities having a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those living in the locality are those which cause or allow dogs to:
  - a. Enter and/or pose a hazard or cause a nuisance in areas including (but not limited to) play areas, paddling pools and sports grounds.
  - b. disturb or threaten animals, or birds, or wildlife.
  - c. cause the public, particularly children or vulnerable adults, to feel threatened or distressed.
  - d. pose a risk to the safety of pedestrians and / or cyclists and / or motorists.
  - e. cause damage to public property, including trees and plants.
  - f. hunt in packs.
  - g. be walked in groups of 4 or more dogs by one or more individual.
  - h. defecate in a public place and fail to remove the faeces from the land.
- 5. The effect of this Order is to impose the prohibitions or requirements set out in paragraph 6 below on some or all of the public land or areas listed in Schedules 1 to 3 and illustrated by Map 1 contained in Schedule 4.

## 6. The Prohibitions or Requirements

## a. Dogs on Leads by Request

A person in charge of a dog within the area of land identified, at any time by request, (during the period specified in the schedule if stated), in **Schedule 1** must keep the dog on a lead unless:

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

A person in charge of a dog within the area of land identified in **Schedule**1 must comply with a direction given to them by an Authorised Officer to put and keep the dog on a lead unless:

- i. they have reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- ii. the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to them failing to do so.

An Authorised Officer 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 another animal.

## b. Dogs on Leads

A person in charge of a dog within the area of land identified in **Schedule 2** must at all times keep the dog on a lead unless:

i.they have a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or

ii.the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the failure to do so;

## c. Exclusion of Dogs

A person in charge of a dog shall not take the dog onto, or permit the dog to enter or to remain on the land identified in **Schedule 3** unless:

- i. They have a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- ii. The owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the failure to do so.

## d. Restriction on numbers of Dogs

A person must not take more than four (4) dogs at the same time onto the land shown edged red in **Map 1 of Schedule 4** unless:

- i. They have a reasonable excuse for doing so; or
- ii. The owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the failure to do so.

## e. Keep control of dogs and not cause damage

A person in charge of a dog on any land detailed in **Map 1 of Schedule** 4 must:

i.keep the dog under proper control;

ii.not cause or permit the dog to -

- a. cause annoyance to any other person or animal; or
- b. cause damage to any Council structure, equipment, tree, shrub, plant, turf or other such Council property.

## f. Dog Fouling

A person in charge of a dog which defecates at any time on any land referred to in **Map 1 of Schedule 4** to this Order must at the time remove the faeces from the land forthwith, unless:

- they have a reasonable excuse for failing to do so, however being unaware of the defecation (whether by reason of not being in the vicinity or otherwise) shall not be a reasonable excuse for failing to comply with this Order; or
- ii. the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the failure to do so.
- 7. The requirements set out in paragraph 6 of this Order apply to all persons except any person who:
  - a. is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
  - is deaf, in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People (registered charity number 293358) and upon which they rely for assistance; or
  - c. has a disability within the meaning prescribed in section 6 of the Equality Act 2010 or as may be defined in any subsequent amendment or reenactment of that legislation, in respect of a dog which has been trained to assist a person with a disability and upon which the person relies for assistance; or
  - d. is a person in control of a Working Dog(s).

#### 8. Offences

Section 67 of the Act says that it is a criminal offence for a person without reasonable excuse:

- a. To do anything that the person is prohibited from doing by a public spaces protection order, or
- b. To fail to comply with a requirement to which the person is subject under a public spaces protection order.

A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

A constable, police community support officer or authorised officer of the Council may issue a fixed penalty notice to anyone they believe has committed an offence under Section 67 of the Act. You will have 14 days to pay the fixed penalty of up to £100. If you pay the fixed penalty within the 14 days you will not be prosecuted.

## 9. Challenge

Under section 66 of the Act, an interested person (as defined in that section) may apply to the High Court to question the validity of this Order on the grounds that the Council had no power to make it or that any requirement of the Act has not been complied with in relation to this Order. Such an application must be made within 6 weeks of the date this Order was made.

The COMMON SEAL of IPSWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL was hereunto affixed this. And the presence of two thousand and twenty two in the presence of



Authorised Officer Name. CLARE DANSON-DULLEU

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## **SCHEDULE ONE**

## Dogs on leads by request in the following areas

Alderman Road Recreation Ground

Alder Carr meadow

Alexandra Park

Allenby Road Open Space

Ashground Plantation

Aster Road Open Space

Belstead Road tree belt

Birkfield Drive amenity and natural area

Bourne Park

**Bourne Reedbed** 

Bramford Lane Housing Open Space

Bramford Lane Open Space

**Bramford Lane Recreation Ground** 

Braziers Wood Road corridor

**Braziers Road Meadow** 

Bridge Wood Foreshore, Estuary

Broomhill Park North

**Broomhill Park South** 

**Brunswick Recreation Ground** 

Cambridge Drive

Castle Hill Recreation Ground

**Chantry Green** 

Chantry Park

Cherry Lane Recreation Ground

Chesterton Close OS

Christchurch Park

Crown Pools Grass Area

**Dumbarton Road Recreation Ground** 

Ellenbrook OS & Playing Field

Europa Way

Finbars Walk Natural Semi-Natural

Foxglove Crescent Amenity Area

Gainsborough Sports and Community Centre

Gippeswyk Park

H G Clarke Gardens

Haven Gardens

Holywells Park

Inverness Road Open Space

Kiln Meadow

Land adjacent to The Grove

Landseer Park

London Road Tree Belt

Maidenhall Green

Martinet Green Open Space

Maryon Road Wildlife Corridor

Mitre Way Amenity Area

Moffat Avenue Amenity Area

Murray Road Park

Nacton Road Wildlife Corridor

Netley Close Open Space & Tree Belt

Norwich Road Gardens

Pembroke Close

Pipers Vale Foreshore, Estuary

Pond Hall (OCP)

Pond Hall Foreshore, Estuary

Ranelagh Road amenity area

Ransomes Sports Ground

Ravenswood Village Green

Ravenswood Open Spaces

Redhouse Park

Riverside Road Meadow

Robin Drive Recreation Ground

Sherrington Road Recreation Ground

Sproughton Road Pond (Wildlife site)

Stoke Park Wood

Stonelodge Park

St. Augustines Green

The Dales Open Space

Tuddenham Road tree belt

Wallers Grove

Westwood Avenue open space

Whitehouse Park

Whitton Church Lane Recreation Ground

Whitton Recreation Ground

Whitland Close Open Space

Whitton Sports and Community Centre

Yarmouth Rd Amenity Area

**Anglian Water Jetty** 

A14 Drainage ditch

## **SCHEDULE TWO**

## Dogs on leads at all times when entering the following areas:

Cemetery Lane Cemeteries

Chantry Park Walled Gardens

Christchurch Park - Upper Arboretum

Christchurch Park - Lower Arboretum

Christchurch Park - Bird Reserve

Holywells Park - Walled Garden

Holywells Park - Sensory Maze

Holywells Park - Orchard

Millennium Cemetery

Orwell Country Park - Braziers Wood

Orwell Country Park - Elm Hill (OCP)

Orwell Country Park - Pipers Vale (OCP)

Bixley Health SSSI

Braziers Meadow (outside of fenced area)

## **SCHEDULE THREE**

Dogs barred from accessing boundaries of the following fenced or closed areas dedicated for play, sport, exercise, convenience, wildlife, flower beds or work (including play areas, tennis courts, MUGAs, toilets and staff compounds)

Alderman Road Play Area and MUGA

Alexandra Play Area and Toilets

Alvis Walk Play Area

Bentley Road Play Area

Billberry Road Play Area

Bourne Park Play Areas, Staff Compound, Toilets, Paddling Pool

Bramford Lane Open Space Play Area

Bramford Lane Recreation Ground Play Area

Braziers Meadow (within meadow fenced area)

Breydon Way Play Area

**Broadmere Road Recreation Ground** 

Bruff Road A LAP 2

**Bruff Road B LEAP** 

Bruff Road C LAP 1

Brunswick Recreation Ground Play Area

Bull Road (Foxgrove Gardens B)

Bull Road (Foxgrove Gardens D)

Castle Hill Recreation Ground Play Area

Celestion Way (Foxgrove Gardens)

Chantry Park Play Areas, Toilets, Ponds, Staff Compounds

Cherry Lane Gardens Play Area

Cherry Lane Recreation Ground Play Area

Chesterton Close Play Areas

Childers Court Play Area (off Sandy Hill Lane)

Cranborne Chase Play Area

Christchurch Park Play area, Tennis Courts, Exercise Area, Ponds and Compounds

Christchurch Park Reg Driver Visitor Centre

Compare Crescent

Deben Road Play Area

Dhobi Place Play Area

Downing Close Play Area

Dumbarton Road Recreation Ground Play Area, Toilets

Elderberry Road Play Area

Ellenbrook OS Play Area and Skate Park

**Emperor Circle Play Area** 

Fenbight Circle Play Areas

Finbars walk Play Area

Fulham Way Play Area

Gainsborough SC/Maryon Rd Play Area

Gippeswyk Park Play Areas, Toilets, MUGAs, Staff Compound

Girton Way Play Area

Halifax Road Play Area

Havergate Road Play Area

Hawke Road Play Area

Heatherhayes Play Area

Holywells Park Play Area, Toilets, Staff Compounds, Visitor Centre, Ponds

Howard Street Play Area

Kettlebaston Way Play Area

Lagonda Drive Play Area

Lambeth Close Play Area

Landseer Park Play Area, BMX track, ponds

Loganberry Road Play Area

Maple Park Play Area

Margate Road Play Area

Maude Street Play Area

Monmouth Close Play Area

Morgan Drive Play Area

Mullberry Road Play Area

Murray Road Park Play Areas, MUGAs, Wildlife Areas, Toilets

Newbury Road Recreation Ground

Orwell Road (Foxgrove Gdns C) Play Area

Pipers Vale Close Play Area

Provan Court (Foxgrove Gdns E) Play Area

Rapier Street Play Area

Ravenswood Village Green Play Areas

Riverside Road Play Area

Sallows Close Play Area

Salmet Close Play Area

Saturn Road Play Area

Shaftsbury Square Play Area

Sherrington Road Recreation Ground Play Area

Shetland Close Play Area

Silk Street Play Area

Sinclair Drive Play Area

Stoke Bridge Skate Park

Stonelodge Park Play Area, Compound and Pond

St. Augustines Green Play Areas and Exercise Area

Talmash Gardens Play Area

Tanners View Play Area

The Albany Tree Belt

The Dales Open Space Play Area and Ponds

Tower Mill Road -Play Area A

Tower Mill Road Play Area B

Webb Street Play Area

Whitehouse Park Play Area, Skate Park and Toilets

Whitton Recreation Ground Play Area

Yeoman Close Play Area

# **SCHEDULE FOUR** - MAP 1

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MAP 1



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