

FOI 410/2016

REQUEST AND RESPONSE

1. Please state how many Public Space Protection Orders the council currently has in place.

One

2. Of the question 1 figure, please state how many of these PSPOs simply replicate pre-existing Dog Control Orders, Gating Orders, or Designated Public Place Orders.

None.

3. Of the question 1 figure, and excluding the PSPOs referred to in question 2, how many of these PSPOs relate **solely** to dog control (in the manner of a Dog Control Order), alcohol consumption (in the manner of a DPPO), or public access to public rights of way (in the manner of Gating Orders)?

None

4. For the PSPOs counted for the question 1 figure - but excluding those PSPOs counted for the question 2 figure or the question 3 figure - please provide details of each PSPO, including the date it was implemented, the area it covers, the activities it regulates or prohibits, and the reasons for its introduction. Please include a copy of each PSPO.

The PSPO for Clacton Town Centre, replaced the pre-existing DPPO. However when making the new order we were able to broaden the terms and the area that the PSPO covered. The PSPO came into force on 1st July 2016 in response to complaints from residents, visitors, Councillors, Police and the local MP.

The Council is satisfied that the following activities have been or are likely to be carried out in the public space.

The Order applies to the public areas shown delineated by the black line on the document annexed (Annex A) to this Order and on the lists of Streets and Public Areas affected by the order (Annex B).

- No person shall within the restricted area persistently beg. Persistent begging involves begging on more than one occasion and includes all passive and active methods used to receive alms.**
- No person shall within the restricted area sit in shop doorways on more than one occasion and loiter in the designated area on more than one occasion.**
- No person shall within the restricted area remain in a public toilet without reasonable excuse. Using a public toilet to sleep in is specifically included in this prohibition.**
- No person shall within the restricted area refuse to stop drinking or hand over any containers (sealed or unsealed) which are believed to contain alcohol,**

when required to so by an authorised officer to prevent public nuisance or disorder.

- **No person shall within the restricted area carry out any form of graffiti by any means. This includes any form of art/drawing which is applied directly onto any highway or pavement.**

5. Please state how many convictions or sanctions have so far been issued under each PSPO listed in response to question 4. If possible please break this figure down by which part of each PSPO was breached in each case, and whether the penalty was a fine or a conviction.

There have been 6 warnings issued so far (names and addresses given), no fines or convictions.

6. Please provide details of any PSPOs the council is currently proposing or considering, including the dates they would be implemented from, the areas they would cover, the activities they would regulate or prohibit, and the reasons for their proposed introduction.

None at the moment.