A Public Space Protection Order is now in force in your area

Public Space Protection

The following prohibitions will be enforced within the public spaces shown on the map overleaf:

- 1. Groups of people or individuals engaging in activities which are likely to cause nuisance, annoyance, harassment, alarm or distress. Including, but not limited to verbal abuse, violence or threat of violence.
- 2. Alcohol related antisocial behaviour including having in possession open/ unopen cans, bottles or other containers containing alcohol.
- 3. Obstructing Footpaths.
- 4. A person is prohibited from approaching any other person for the purpose of obtaining money by begging and from positioning to beg.
- 5. A person is prohibited from persistently loitering on a public highway and causing motorists to stop unlawfully.
- 6. A person is prohibited from persistently driving a vehicle within the restricted area between the hours of 19:00 and 07:00 for the purpose of engaging with sex workers.
- 7. A person is prohibited from playing loud music from a stationary vehicle within the restricted area.

The order will be in force for a period of 36 months and will expire on 30th August 2020.

Penalty on breach

It is an offence to engage in any activity that you are prohibited from doing by this Order. Depending on the behaviour in question, the enforcing officer could decide that a Suspected Offence Ticket is appropriate. These can be issued by an Authorised Police Officer or an Authorised Council Officer. Birmingham City Council may deem that a fixed penalty notice (FPN) of up to £100 would be the most appropriate sanction and issue this. Should



a Fixed Penalty Notice not be issued, West Midlands Police and Birmingham City Council may consider that further interventions are necessary to address the alleged behaviour.

Right to Appeal

In accordance of Section 66 of the Act, any interested person who wishes to challenge the validity of this Order may appeal to the High Court within six weeks from the date upon which this Order is made.

What you can do

Public Space Protection Orders are there to protect the community. If you see anyone breaking these conditions, inform the police on **101**.

If you have any information on crime or anti-social behaviour in your area, call the independent registered charity Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**.









