

OFFICER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Mark Camborne, Assistant Director – Neighbourhoods, Safety and Transport

KEY DECISION: DIRECTORATE: Neighbourhood Services

WARDS AFFECTED: Upton Ward

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2022 - WOODCHURCH

1.0 DECISION:

The Assistant Director of Neighbourhood Safety and Transport exercised the delegation afforded under the Council's Constitution and Scheme of Delegation for Neighbourhood Services and duly authorised a 3-year Public Spaces Protection Order for a designated area in Woodchurch, Wirral.

2.0 REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The area to be covered by the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) has historically experienced issues with Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) as a result of the behaviours and actions of youths.

The location has previously been subject to dispersal zones and various targeted actions by the Police. However, reports of ASB have increased in the Hoole Road area.

Consultation with partnering departments/agencies, Councillors, MPs, and the public (following a 28-day public consultation period) highlight the need and support for the PSPO to tackle the ongoing anti-social behaviour and to provide agencies with effective powers to prevent further occurrences of the activities identified in the order.

3.0 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer, and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed, that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

4.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

Signed:

Officer: Mark Camborne

Title: Assistant Director: Neighbourhoods, Safety and Transport

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A list of background papers on this issue is held with:

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