

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

COUNCIL: 15TH JULY, 2024

REFERENCE FROM CABINET: 11TH JULY, 2024

“C67 RENEWAL OF PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS - DOG CONTROLS (NBS) (SCRUTINY – ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION) –

The Cabinet Member presented the report, the purpose of which was to ensure there remained effective controls and management arrangements in place, aimed at improving the behaviour of irresponsible dog owners and reducing anti-social behaviour associated with dogs and dog fouling.

Councillor Wilson said that such Orders had been in place previously and required renewal with variations to the existing Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs), for the purpose of dog controls

Consultation had taken place on the matter and many of the responses received were positive about the proposed Orders. Appendix A referred to 64% of the public agreed with the proposal to retain all the existing dog controls in the Vale of Glamorgan, strong agreement regarding the removal of faeces from all adopted highways and footpaths and seasonal dog controls at Ogmores-by-Sea.

Councillor Wilson proposed an additional Recommendation to Cabinet to agree that Llantwit Major Recreation Ground be added to the proposals to be considered at Full Council, with enforcement subject to the agreement of Llantwit Major Town Council who owned the land. Llantwit Major Councillors were in support of that area being included in the proposals and agreement with Llantwit Major Town Council would have to be sought prior to the matter being considered at Full Council on 15th July, 2024.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the proposal of renewing the existing Public Space Protection Orders for dog controls be endorsed.
- (2) T H A T the contents of the public consultation results be noted.
- (3) T H A T the proposed new additional areas as part of the renewal process be agreed and incorporated into the Orders for Full Council consideration.

(4) T H A T the resolutions of Cabinet in respect to the report are referred to Full Council for consideration.

(5) T H A T use of the urgency procedure set out at Section 15.14 of the Council's Constitution be agreed in respect of resolutions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 to allow the matter to be considered at Full Council on 15th July, 2024.

(6) T H A T subject to formal agreement with Llantwit Major Town Council, Llantwit Major Recreation Ground be added to the proposals for consideration at Full Council, with enforcement subject to the agreement of Llantwit Major Town Council who own the land.

Reasons for decisions

(1) So, the Council had robust Orders in place for dog controls on adopted highways, footpaths, resorts/beaches, town centres, sports pitches, and public open spaces.

(2) To ensure the Council considered the view of the public and other stakeholders and the Orders reflect current issues.

(3) To ensure the Council had appropriate powers to protect the quality of lives of those who live, work and visit the Vale.

(4) The renewal and introduction of Public Space Protection Orders were a matter for determination by Full Council.

(5) To ensure the Orders could be considered at the next Full Council meeting and if agreed, promptly introduced following the meeting.

(6) To include Llantwit Major Recreation Ground to the proposals, with the support of the local ward Members and agreement with Llantwit Major Town Council."