

CABINET – 13TH OCTOBER 2022

Report of the Scrutiny Commission

CHARNWOOD DOG CONTROL PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2022

Purpose of Report

To consider the comments and recommendations of the Scrutiny Commission in relation to the Charnwood Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order 2022 report.

Recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission

That the Cabinet be informed that the Commission welcomes and supports the recommendations set out in the report of the Head of Regulatory and Community Safety.

Reason

The Commission, having carefully considered and asked questions on the report felt the Cabinet should approve the recommendations set out.

Meeting Discussion

- i. The enforcement of the PSPO (Public Space Protection Order) would rely on complaints for targeted enforcement in problem locations, as the Orders apply across the whole of the Borough and staff resources would be limited.
- ii. There had been only one report, which met the threshold of anti-social behaviour, at Stonebow Washlands within the yellow zone highlighted on the map included within the report.
- iii. Members expressed that they were grateful for the introduction of the 'dogs on leads' enforcement in the blue zone highlighted on the map included within the report, demonstrating the area of Stonebow Washlands, as this had had a positive impact on the area.
- iv. Members felt that with regards to recommendation 1, option 1 was the most appropriate course of action, as it was considered that applying the restriction to dogs on leads on the playing fields indicated on the map was not required.

Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

Scrutiny Commission Procedure Rule 11.12 sets out the procedure by which a report of a Scrutiny Committee should be considered by Cabinet.

Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions and Scrutiny

The information on this in the Cabinet report is not affected by the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

Financial Implications

There are no further financial implications associated with the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

Risk Management

There are no specific risks associated with the recommendations of the Scrutiny Commission.

Key Decision:	Yes
Background Paper:	Scrutiny Commission Minute 38 2022/23, 10th October 2022
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