

Consultation Response R.E. Public Spaces Protection Orders:

The following forms provide a suggested framework for responding to the consultation in respect of the extension of Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) for dog control across the Stroud District and prohibiting alcohol consumption in designated places for a further 3 years. However, your responses are welcomed in any alternative formats that you may prefer to utilise.

For information purposes, please bear in mind that a PSPO must meet two grounds to be lawful, as follows:-

1. The activities carried out in a public place must have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality or it is likely that they will do so; and
2. The effect, or likely effect, of these activities is of a persistent or continuing nature, is unreasonable and justifies the restrictions imposed by the Orders,

We would please ask that you respond in writing to this consultation by no later than 2nd August 2026.

Please return all consultation responses either by:-

- a) E-mail to environmental.health@stroud.gov.uk ; or
- b) Post to Mr S Bartlett - Environmental Protection Manager, Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud, Glos, GL5 4UB.
- c) Returning the form to reception at Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud, Glos, GL5 4UB.

Thank you for your anticipated input into this consultation process.

Q1: In what capacity are you completing this survey?

(Please circle and add your organisation name if applicable in the box provided)

- Resident of the stroud district
- Visitor to the stroud district
- Local or regional business, Chamber of Commerce or similar, representing the views of a business or group of businesses
- Voluntary, third sector group or organisation working with the community, representing views of the organisation
- Parish or Town Council, representing the views of the council
- Local or regional public sector organisation (local authority, Police, Fire, NHS, etc), representing team or department's views
- Leisure activities club, association or similar organisation
- Stroud District Council employee
- Other organisation (please specify):

Questions:

Dog Control PSPO1	<i>Failure to remove the faeces when a dog under the person's control has defecated on any land within the District which is open to the air and to which the public has a right of access. Exemptions exist for assistance dogs.</i>
Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?	Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree (Please circle your choice)
If you wish to share any further comments or observations relating to this PSPO, please do so below. Responses should be no more than 150 words.	

<p style="text-align: center;">Dog Control PSPO2</p>	<p><i>Failure to put a dog on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised officer of the Council, if such restraint is necessary to prevent a nuisance, behaviour likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to a person or the worrying or disturbance of any animal or bird. This also applies to all land within the District which is open to the air and to which the public has a right of access.</i></p>
<p>Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree (Please circle your choice)</p>
<p>If you wish to share any further comments or observations relating to this PSPO, please do so below. Responses should be no more than 150 words.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Dog Control PSPO3</p>	<p><i>Permitting a dog to enter land from which dogs are excluded which applies (where signed at the entrance) to any fenced, hedged or walled children's play area, bowling green, croquet lawn, tennis court, skateboard park, cycle enclosure, putting green or other sporting or recreational facility. Exemptions exist for assistance dogs.</i></p>
<p>Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree (Please circle your choice)</p>
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<p>Dog Control PSPO4</p>	<p><i>Not keeping a dog on a lead in a designated area. This applies to all allotments, cemeteries, car parks, canal towpaths and designated cycle tracks as well as specified footpaths routinely used to access any primary, secondary or high school or college.</i></p>
<p>Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?</p>	<p>Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree</p> <p>(Please circle your choice)</p>
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<p>Stroud Town PSPO</p>	<p>The Stroud Town Public Space Protection Order – prohibiting alcohol consumption in designated places.</p>
<p>Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?</p>	<p>Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree</p> <p>(Please circle your choice)</p>
<p>If you wish to share any further comments or observations relating to this PSPO, please do so below. Responses should be no more than 150 words.</p>	

<p align="center">Dursley Town PSPO</p>	<p align="center">The Dursley Town Public Space Protection Order – prohibiting alcohol consumption in designated places.</p>
<p>Do you feel that the current PSPO should be retained in its current form for a further 3-year period?</p>	<p align="center">Strongly Agree, Agree, Neither, Disagree, Strongly Disagree (Please circle your choice)</p>
<p>If you wish to share any further comments or observations relating to this PSPO, please do so below. Responses should be no more than 150 words.</p>	

What happens next?

All responses to the consultation will be analysed and carefully considered along with evidence provided by key partners and Gloucestershire Police. This will help us determine whether extending the PSPOs for the next 3 years is the right tool to tackle Anti-Social Behaviour.

If implemented, the PSPOs will be introduced for a maximum of three years and reviewed on a regular basis. The PSPOs will be available to view on our website – www.stroud.gov.uk.