

All Parish Councils

Public Places
Chelmsford City Council
Duke Street
Chelmsford
Essex, CM1 1JE

Date: 10th October 2023

Dear Parish Clerk,

Extension of Public Spaces Protection Order: Dog Fouling - Chelmsford City Council.

As you will be aware on 10th November 2017 Chelmsford City Council introduced a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) prohibiting dog fouling in the whole of the Chelmsford City Council area. A consultation was carried out prior to the order coming into force and you, or your organisation, were consulted. The order was subsequently made under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and came into effect on the above date for a period of three years. The PSPO prohibited the following activity, on land to which the public has access, within the Chelmsford City Council area:

Allowing a dog to defecate, and the person who is in charge of the dog at the time not removing the faeces from the land forthwith.

This Order was extended for three years in 2020, and Chelmsford City Council wishes to extend this PSPO for a further three years from 10th November 2023. Allowing the PSPO to lapse without extending it will likely result in an increase of dog fouling, with no recourse to formal action against individuals who allow their dogs to foul. Chelmsford City Council continues to receive significant numbers of complaints of dog fouling across the Council area.

We are inviting you to consult on this extension to this PSPO and your input would be greatly appreciated. I would ask that you reply directly to me with your comments by 5:00pm on Tuesday 31st October 2023, by email to pspo.consultation@chelmsford.gov.uk or post to Paul Brookes, Public Health and Protection Services, Chelmsford City Council, Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 1JE.

Yours Faithfully.



Paul Brookes
Public Health and Protection Services Manager