

The Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

Worthing Borough Council Public Spaces Protection Order 2019:

Number 2: Begging in Worthing Town Centre

The Borough Council of Worthing is satisfied that begging in a public place is being carried out within the area to which this Order applies or it is likely that this activity will be carried out and this is having or is likely to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality and therefore makes this Public Spaces Protection Order ("PSPO") covering the matters set out below.

This PSPO relates to all the designated public places outlined in red on the attached map and which is briefly described in the Schedule.

The activities set out in this order are prohibited or required only where an authorised person requires a person to stop the activity or requires that person to do something set out in this Order.

- An authorised person means a constable or a person authorised in writing by the Borough Council of Worthing.
- A public place means any place to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission.
- 1. The activities which are prohibited by this PSPO are:
- a. All persons are prohibited from approaching another person either verbally or through action in order to beg from the other person.
- b. All persons are prohibited from sitting or loitering in a public place for an unreasonable time or being in possession of a receptacle used to obtain monies for the purpose of begging.

This includes the use of signage, children or animals to solicit monies from members of the public.

- 2. Any person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with this PSPO shall commit an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- 3. This PSPO shall come into effect on 21 August 2019.
- 4. This PSPO shall have effect for a period of 3 years.

The Common Seal of the Borough Council of Worthing was affixed in the presence of:

Authorised signatory



Schedule

The designated area is the public spaces as outlined on the attached map.

This area covers Rowlands Road from the junction of Wordsworth Road through Montague Street to the junction with West Road (for clarification only the road and street itself are included at this point). The area is then bounded to the North by Montague Street to Montague Place and then from Montague Place through Liverpool Terrace to Ambrose Place, from Ambrose Place to Chapel Road up to junction with Richmond Road and down Chapel Road to junction with Chatsworth Road, then from Chatsworth Road to junction with Elm Road, then Elm Road down to the Brighton Road, then from Brighton Road to the junction with Merton Road.

This area is bounded to the east by Merton Road down to the low water mark located at the south of Merton Road.

This area is bounded to the south by the low water mark located south of Merton Road to the low tide mark located south of West Street and includes all of the pier.

This area is bounded to the west by the low water mark located south of West Street and through West Street to its junction with Montague Street.

Appeals – In accordance with section 66 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ("the Act"), any interested person who wishes to challenge the validity of the Order on the grounds the Council did not have the power to make the Order or that any requirement of the Act has not been complied with, may apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date on which this Order is made. An interested person is an individual who lives in the specified area or who regularly works or visits that area.

