PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2023 REVIEW

Committee name	Residents' Services Select Committee
Officer reporting	Stephanie Waterford – Place Joanne Howells - Place
Papers with report	Cabinet reports – 20 April 2023
Ward	All

HEADLINES

For the Select Committee to consider and comment on the Public Spaces Protection Order 2023 Review which has been approved by Cabinet for consultation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee submit any comments to Cabinet on the Public Spaces Protection Order 2023 Review.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

On 20 April 2023, Cabinet agreed to consult on the Public Spaces Protection Order 2023 Review - the consultation period subsequently commenced on 28 April 2023. The proposed new Orders include smoking, vaping and dogs in children' play areas and also driving e-vehicles on footways. New restrictions are proposed, where evidence had been received, in 3 of the Borough's Town Centres in relation to amplified equipment, placing of tables, stands and signage, financial agreements and street trading without consent. These Orders have become an essential part of the armoury of the Council to tackle anti-social behaviour on behalf of residents.

Select Committee comments

Councillors on this Select Committee may wish to comment on the Public Spaces Protection Order 2023 Review.

Should the Committee wish to send formal comments to the Cabinet, this can either be agreed at the meeting, or delegated to the Democratic Services Officer, in conjunction with the Chairman (and in consultation with the Opposition Lead).

Stephanie Waterford, Head of Public Protection and Enforcement, and Joanne Howells, Service Manager – Street Scene Enforcement Team, will introduce this item and answer any questions Councillors may have.

Following consultation and any Select Committee comments, the matter will be considered by Cabinet on 27 July 2023.

RESIDENT BENEFIT

As set out in the Cabinet reports.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As set out in the Cabinet reports.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

As set out in the Cabinet reports.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.