

# Proposal to amend and extend Guildford's town centre PSPO (Public Spaces Protection Order)

## 1. Proposal to amend Guildford town centre's PSPO (Public Spaces Protection Order)

### What is a PSPO?

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) have been introduced by the Government to help us tackle anti-social behaviour locally, so that public spaces can be enjoyed by everyone.

### What are the proposals?

The council is seeking views on:

- extending the Guildford Town Centre PSPO for a further three years;
- amending the prohibited behaviours to be included in the revised PSPO; and
- a proposal to extend the geographic area that the PSPO covers to include Black Cat Alley off the bottom of the Farnham Road, where there have been reports of anti-social behaviour. You can download a [map of the proposed extension \(PDF\)](#) here

The views gathered through the consultation will help the council decide the future of the Guildford Town Centre PSPO. The results of the consultation, and the decisions taken on the PSPO, will be published here in due course.

Please find a link to:

[Current Town Centre PSPO](#)

[Proposed Town Centre PSPO, 2025](#)

**Please refer to the draft PSPO and boundary map before commenting.**

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### 1. In what capacity are you completing this survey?

- Resident
- Student
- Work in Guildford
- Visitor to Guildford
- Business owner
- Organisation / agency / charity
- Other (please specify):

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2. Please see a boundary map of the current PSPO. We are proposing to extend the PSPO to include Black Cat Alley at the bottom of Farnham Road.

[Current Boundary map](#)

[Proposed Boundary map](#)

Are you happy with the proposals to extend the PSPO to these areas?

Yes

No

Please provide your comments:

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**3. As well as restricting alcohol in public spaces, we are proposing to remove reference to legal highs and add further restrictions to rowdy and inconsiderate behaviours:**

- **Wearing a piece of clothing with the intent to obscure or hide his/her identity for the purposes of committing crime and/or anti-social behaviour.**
- **Dangerous or anti-social use of vehicles, including: bicycles, skateboards or scooters in pedestrianised areas.**
- **Joining or remaining in a group of 2 or more people which is acting in a manner that is likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to any person.**

**Are you happy with the proposals to add these behaviours to the PSPO?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments:

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**4. Do you believe that the PSPO that has been in place since April 2022 has been effective in tackling the behaviours that it was designed to address?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments:

**5. Do you support amending and extending the PSPO for a further 3 years?**

Yes

No

Please provide your comments:

**Thank you for taking the time to fill in this survey. The final decision will be posted on the council website at: [www.guildford.gov.uk/PSPO](http://www.guildford.gov.uk/PSPO).**