



# Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

## Renewal Of Public Space Protection Orders

13<sup>th</sup> July 2020

# Background

- » Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014
- » Public Spaces Protection Order's (PSPO's) introduced in Flintshire - October 2017
- » Require renewal after 3 years
- » Full consultation process required



# Current PSPO'S - Dog Control

The requirements for the Dog Control PSPO's are for dog owners to:

1. Remove their dogs' waste from all public places within Flintshire,
2. Have a means on their person to pick up dog waste,
3. Place their dog on a lead when asked by an authorised officer.
4. Prohibit dogs from entering the playing areas of public marked sports pitches, formal recreation areas including but not exclusively bowling greens and tennis courts, fenced equipped children's play areas and all areas within school grounds,
5. Keep their dog on a lead in cemeteries.



# Current PSPO'S - Alcohol Control

Not a total ban on drinking Alcohol - an offence is caused when not complying to a request to cease drinking or surrender alcohol in a public place by NW Police.

Not applicable to licenced premises.



# Enforcement of Dog Control PSPO's

## **In-house enforcement team**

- » Only FCC staff undertake patrols
- » Team works flexible working hours - seven days a week

## **Emphasis on engagement with residents**

- » High profile presence
- » Educate on types of restrictions
- » Education campaigns in hotspot areas

## **Patrols are intelligence lead**

- » Location/day/time/type of dog
- » Information from Area Streetscene Cleansing teams

**Success should be judged on cleanliness and not just the number of FPN's issued**

# Consultation

- » **Legal requirement with statutory partners**
- » **Residents online Survey**
- » **Proposed to report the outcomes from the consultation process back to Environment Overview and Scrutiny in September 2020 to agree a recommendation to Cabinet for approval.**