

Civic Centre Shute End Wokingham RG40 1BN

Public Spaces Protection Order

Anti Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 s.59

Notice is hereby given that Wokingham Borough Council ("the Council") has made the following Public Spaces Protection Order under section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Policing and Crime Act 2014 ("the Act"):

1. The land described in the schedule below ("the restricted areas") being land in the area of the Council is land to which the Anti-Social Behaviour Policing and Crime Act 2014 applies and will be protected by the making of this Order

2. The Order may be cited as the Car Cruising Public Spaces Protection Order ("the Order") and came into force on 29 September 2022 for a duration of 3 years

3. The effect of the Order is to impose the following conditions on the use of the land:

Conditions in the Order which are prohibitions:

In the restricted areas a person commits an offence if without reasonable excuse he or she continues to carry out activities from which they are prohibited namely:

- 1. Being the driver of or being carried in (or on) a motor vehicle in circumstances where the following activities ("the prohibited activities") take place
 - a. causing danger or risk of injury to road users (including pedestrians)
 - b. causing damage or risk of damage to property
 - c. aggressive acceleration or braking or racing
 - d. carrying out manoeuvres such as (but not limited to) skidding, handbrake turns, drifting
 - e. creating noise through excessive engine revving, sounding horns or playing music
 - f. using foul or abusive language
 - g. using threatening or intimidating behaviour
 - h. causing obstruction (whether moving or stationary).
- 2. Promoting, organising or publicising (including but not limited to via email, the internet, social media, or via any publication or broadcast medium) any event where the prohibited activities take place
- 3. Attending an event as defined in clause 2 above either as a vehicle owner or spectator where the prohibited activities take place

"Car Cruising" Public Spaces Protection Order 2022 Page **1** of **3** A person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with conditions 1-3 above, commits an offence under section 67 of the Act and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale or fixed penalty notice of a maximum £100.

Schedule of the restricted areas

"The restricted areas " means all land owned, maintained or managed by the Council and any other place to which the public has access as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission. Outlined in the map below:

Public Space Protection Order – Wokingham Borough Map of Restricted Area's



General

An officer authorised to enforce this Order means a Local Authority Employee, a person designated by the Local Authority, a Police Officer or Police Community Support Officer.

The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in sections 59, 64 & 72 of the Act have been satisfied and that it is in all the circumstances expedient to make this order for the purposes of reducing anti social behaviour in the restricted areas.

"Car Cruising" Public Spaces Protection Order 2022 Page 2 of 3 The Council makes the order because anti social behaviour in the restricted areas has had a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality. The effect or likely effect of this is of a persistent or continuing nature such as to make this unreasonable, and justifies the restrictions imposed in this order.

If any "interested person" desires to question the validity of this Order on the grounds that the Council had no power to make it or that any requirement of the Act has not been complied with in relation to this Order, he or she may apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date on which this Order is made.

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Designation: Steve Moore

(The officer appointed for the purpose)

Date: 02.12.2022