



Town and Parish Councils

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Date: 17th May 2022

Dear Town and Parish Councils,

Public Spaces Protection Order, Renewal of existing dog bans on beaches

We are writing to you to seek any early views you may have prior to Cornwall Council undertaking a public consultation regarding the renewal of the Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO's) relating to Cornwall's seasonal dogs on beach restrictions. The current order is due to expire and a new order will come into effect April / May 2023.

The law requires that PSPO's (seasonal dogs on beach restrictions) must be renewed every 3 years, which could include, amending, removing or creating additional restrictions. In 2019 we consulted widely and had a huge public response (13,000 responders) as well as input from yourselves, private beach owners and interested parties.

As we did in 2019 we would like to make contact with all Town and Parish Councils and private beach owners (including the Duchy and National Trust) to seek early views on Cornwall's seasonal dogs on beaches PSPO arrangements to help shape Cornwall Council's forthcoming public consultation, which could include whether you believe the current seasonal restrictions work for your area or need changing.

The current restrictions can be found online

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment/animal-welfare-and-enforcement/dogs-on-beaches/>

Having harmonised restrictions making them simpler to understand we are keen to know if this has been helpful to yourselves? Public consultation is planned during Autumn 2022, which you will be a key stakeholder in, but if you have any early view or comments that you would like to share with us we would be grateful to receive these. The final decision made by the Council will be subject to consideration of the full consultation in the autumn



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We would also be interested to hear your views on enforcement of beach restrictions and ask if you have any resources you could commit to assist.

If you can get responses back to us as soon as possible or by 17th June 2022 at the latest it would be appreciated. Responses would be best emailed via cep@cornwall.gov.uk titled 'Beach Restrictions consultation'.

If you would like further information or would like to discuss the matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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