Appendix 2

Consultation on Extension of Hemswell Cliff Public Space Protection Order

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a PSPO?

Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs) relate to activities taking place which are or may be detrimental to the local community's quality of life. The PSPO for dog fouling and dog control is aimed at preventing and reducing this anti-social behaviour and to help promote responsible dog ownership

What does the PSPO involve?

The order prohibits the following activities on the land that it applies to:

- The grazing of domestic or farm animals
- Burning and bonfires
- The placing of structures or equipment including tents, marquees and playground equipment
- The parking of vehicles on certain parts of the land
- The driving of vehicles on certain parts of the land

How will the PSPO be enforced?

Any individual observed by an authorised officer breaching the PSPO will be issued with a fixed penalty notice of £100. Regular patrols of the designated area will be undertaken by enforcement officers. Residents will be able to report issues relating to the PSPO to the Council, who will then consider them.

How will the enforcement work in practice?

Any officer enforcing the PSPO will take a common sense approach and base this on the risk to the public. For example, we may choose to approach persons and ask them to address the issue instead of issuing a fixed penalty notice.

Is there signage notifying that the PSPO is in place?

Yes, there is clear signage within the designated area and this can be increased or replace as required.

Can you use CCTV to enforce the PSPO?

Generally not. The Council will not use the CCTV to carry out surveillance for PSPO related issues, this is not deemed a proportionate use of the CCTV facility. Should the CCTV present a PSPO related issue, this will be considered by officers and a decision on its progression made in line with the Council's enforcement policy.

Which areas of land does the PSPO cover?

The map below sets out the designated area. The PSPO does not extend across the A631

