A Public Space Protection Order is now in force in your area

A Public Space Protection Order is now in place in the Washwood Heath area. The following prohibitions will be enforced within the public spaces shown on the map.

- 1. A person is prohibited from remaining (either individually or in a group of two or more people) within the restricted area after an authorised person has requested that the group disperse.
- 2. A person is prohibited from being verbally abusive, using or threatening the use of violence to any other person within the restricted area.
- 3. A person is restricted from having in possession open cans, bottles or other unsealed containers containing alcohol.



- 4. An authorised officer may request that any person likely to cause alcohol related violence stops drinking alcohol.
- 5. A person is prohibited from refusing to stop drinking alcohol when asked to do so by an authorised officer.
- 6. A Person is prohibited from persistently loitering within the restricted area for the purpose of engaging with sex workers
- 7. An Authorised Officer may request that a person stop this activity where they reasonably suspect a person is causing or is likely to cause nuisance and or disorder.
- 8. A person is prohibited from carrying out any form of unauthorised graffiti on any surface within the Restricted Area.

The order will be in force for a period of 36 months and will expire on 20 September 2020.

Penalty on breach

It is an offence to engage in any activity that you are prohibited from doing by this Order. Depending on the behaviour in question, the enforcing officer could decide that a Suspected Offence Ticket is appropriate. These can be issued by an Authorised Police Officer or an Authorised Council Officer. Birmingham City Council may deem that a fixed penalty notice (FPN) of up to £100 would be the most appropriate sanction and issue this. Should a Fixed Penalty Notice not be issued, West Midlands Police and Birmingham City Council may consider that further interventions are necessary to address the alleged behaviour.

Right to Appeal

In accordance of Section 66 of the Act, any interested person who wishes to challenge the validity of this Order may appeal to the High Court within six weeks from the date upon which this Order is made. For further details on this order please visit **www.birminghamcsp.org.uk/orders**









