

# RUNNYMEDE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Runnymede Borough Council in exercise of its powers under Section 59, of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ("the Act") hereby makes the following Order:-

## PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER (PSPO) 2025

1. This Order shall come into operation on **TBC** and shall have effect until **TBC** for a period of three years.
2. This Order relates to the areas as shown edged red on the attached Plan ("the Restricted Area").
3. The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 59(2) of the Act have been met. Namely that anti-social behaviour and criminal activities have and are taking place within the Restricted Area through nuisance behaviour. These activities have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality.
4. The Council is further satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 59(3) of the Act have been met. Namely, that the effect or likely effect of the activities is, or is likely to be, of a persistent or continuing nature and that these activities are unreasonable and justify the restrictions imposed by this Order and that it is in all the circumstances expedient to make this Order for the purpose of reducing crime and/or anti-social behaviour in a public place.
5. The effect of this Order is to impose the following conditions on the Restricted Area:

A person commits an offence if, without reasonable excuse, an authorised person reasonably believes that the person does any of the following in a public space:

  - a) Possesses a catapult, slingshot or similar item capable of launching a missile that could cause harm or damage to a person, animal or property. This does not preclude the powers of the police with regard to an item recognised in law as an offensive weapon.
  - b) Fails to surrender any catapult, slingshot or similar item capable of launching a projectile in their possession.
  - c) Possesses stones, ball bearings, pellets or similar item(s) capable of being launched as a projectile, by a catapult, slingshot or similar item or by manual force, that could cause harm or damage to a person, animal or property.
  - d) Fails to surrender any stones, ball bearings, pellets or similar item(s) capable of being launched as a missile by a catapult, slingshot or similar item.
- 6 A person, who fails to comply with any obligation imposed by this order, is guilty of an offence under section 67 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale or a fixed penalty notice of a maximum £100.
- 7 An "Authorised Officer of the Authority" means a Local Authority employee, a person designated by the Local Authority, a Police Officer or Police Community Support Officer who is authorised in writing by Runnymede Borough Council for the purposes of giving directions under this Order.

Dated.....

The Common Seal of Runnymede Borough Council is hereto affixed and authenticated by:

Signed.....

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