

Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

NOTICE OF CONSULTATION – ALCOHOL CONTROL

Notice is hereby given that Herefordshire Council (“the council”) proposes to renew the alcohol control Public Space Protection Order (“PSPO”) under section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (“the Act”).

The Council is launching a consultation from 18 March 2024 ending on 28 April 2024 regarding the order with an amendment alcohol restriction area in Hereford. This is to address alcohol related anti-social behaviour that can occur in public open spaces.

Evidence demonstrates that alcohol can be a factor in anti-social behaviour and violent crime, making people fearful of using certain areas or enjoying the night time economy. Therefore it is important to ensure that the council uses the legislation it has available. The Council takes the health and well-being of the residents very seriously and seeks to promote a healthy, safe environment for all residents, protecting them from anti-social behaviour.

Consultation

By virtue of Section 72 of the Act, before the PSPO is renewed the Council is obliged to carry out consultation with the chief officer of police, the local policing body, community representatives and owners/occupiers of land covered within the order. The consultation will be publicised through the Council’s website. The consultation will be open for 30 days and will end on 28 April 2024.

At the closure of the formal consultation period, Herefordshire Council will review all comments and will make a decision on whether to make the order or alternative in part or in full.

Please refer to Herefordshire Council website for further information.