

PSPO Consultation Results

The consultation launched on 23 August and ran for 6 weeks closing on 6 October. 48 responses were received in total to the survey.

Alcohol Restriction Zones

1) Would you like to see the existing Alcohol Restriction Zones PSPO extended for a further three years?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	48	100%
No	0	0%
Don't know	0	0%

2) Do you have any comments or suggestions about the Alcohol Restriction Zones?

- There needs to be more police/PCSOs on the street to make this restriction work!
- Does it cover Hednesford areas like Pye Green and the Chase like Badger Hills and Brindley Village
- Once the habit is broken it should not be a problem in the future.
- Should include children's play areas and areas adjoining them.
- And St Luke's grounds.
- This has had a positive impact on people visiting the area who were previously intimidated by drunks hanging around and swearing.
- Needs to be policed especially on Cannock Park.
- More real police not PCSOs.

Prohibiting activities relating to anti-social use of motorised vehicles

3) Do you think that prohibiting activities relating to anti-social use of motorised vehicles should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	46	97.9%
No	1	2.1%
Don't know	0	0%

4) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting activities relating to anti-social use of motorised vehicles?

- Introducing speed humps and/or closing areas

- I thought it was illegal to ride an e-scooter in a public place unless it was one that was available through a regulated scheme? What about mobility scooters? Some of the people using these shouldn't be allowed out let alone drive one. Who is going to regulate this?
- I report ASB by cars - popping exhausts - horns - speeding - using mobile phones on a daily basis to Staffs police on line because 101 is a waste of time - Pye Green Road 876 and around the Rose Hill and Broadhurst Green Brindley Road areas all night and some mornings at 3am
- E-bikes that exceed legal limits, Electric (and petrol) motor bikes, etc are often seen around Heath Hayes and on Cannock Chase. They don't just annoy walkers, but also manual mountain bikers, and legal e-bike users. E scooters are often seen around Heath Hayes.
- The racing that continues to happen every Sunday night through Hednesford is awful. Especially in the warm weather when we have windows open, every week throughout the summer holidays I've been awoken by back firing exhausts and wheel spinning. I've reported this to the police but it doesn't seem to do anything, they return every week without fail, usually a Sunday night, which makes me think this is an organised meeting.
- Maybe provide a space where youngsters could legally participate in using the vehicles. Provide more activities for people to do Introduce activities where communities can be proud of their surroundings.
- Most nights I hear bikes and cars speeding and screeching on/near Wellington Drive and struggle to get to sleep.
- Some of the above should but not all.
- This is a safety issue.
- The council, Police and Country Council need to provide clear guidance on how to report and who enforces footway parking. As a pedestrian frequently forced to walk, often with limited visibility, into carriageway due driver's entitlement to park on footways. Absence of enforcement allows this to become acceptable culture at expense of pedestrians. Meanwhile if you report, the three authorities/ organisations adeptly ignore or palm you off on the other.
- Hopefully this would stop youths gathering at linkway retail park, revving engines and driving noisily at speed along the A5, we hear this noise most nights.
- Antisocial behaviour in the form of noise nuisance caused by cars with modified exhausts which are racing late at night/early hours of the morning on Broadhurst Green, Bradbury Lane, Rugeley Road and Pye Green Road is the biggest local issue currently and needs a multi-agency approach in tackling this.
- The amount of cars speeding around Cannock Chase late evening concerns me as they speed down the roads without any due care for other driver and/or pedestrians
- Excellent.
- By time the police respond i.e. answer phone the perpetrators are gone.
- Restrictions to noise levels of engines/exhausts.

- Stop these cars from doing circuits they know are no police about so the Pye Green Road up the Chase needs ANPR at least at Broadhurst Green crossroads.
- Noise disruption most nights and danger to public safety. Always hear on Hednesford Road in Cannock.

E-scooters

5) Do you think that prohibiting the riding of E-scooters should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	44	91.7%
No	2	4.2%
Don't know	2	4.2%

6) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting the riding of E-scooters?

- The law around these need communicating through schools.
- See my comments above.
- I have pictures of a girl and 2 other people using e scooters outside my house on the Pye Green Road in daylight hours and regularly see e scooters on pavements by the Stadium.
- Many are seen around Heath Hayes.
- I thought it was already illegal to ride an e-scooter in a public area. Frequently see them being ridden through and around Cannock on pavements and in pedestrian areas
- There has been many accidents reported in the press. Children are not being supervised.
- Welcome this but thought it was law anyway? Difference can only be made through frequent enforcement, otherwise it's permitted behaviour despite orders
- Yes it should be added, since it is already illegal nationally.
- I have seen E scooters used as part of organised crime down the Skelly. They need to be restricted to make this harder for people who wish to take part in such crimes as it is not wanted in our area.
- This needs to be accompanied by a massive publicity campaign to include schools, colleges and vendors of e-scooters because there appears to be general lack of knowledge about this issue.
- They are a menace.
- And the amount of people who use them from Rose Hill up Pye Green Road up to Broadhurst Green - no police so they do it all the more every day.

- I thought the use of E-scooters in public was already an offence. Should perpetrators not be prosecuted under existing legislation?

Prohibiting unauthorised incursions onto buildings and rooftops

7) Do you think that prohibiting unauthorised incursions onto buildings and rooftops should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	42	87.5%
No	1	2.1%
Don't know	5	10.4%

8) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting unauthorised incursions onto buildings and rooftops?

- (Amazed this isn't already covered in law)
- I cannot think of a reason that anyone should be on a roof that is not their own unless they are working on it.
- It is a health and safety concern that teenagers are accessing the abandoned car park in Cannock Town Centre.
- I would have thought this would be covered by "found on enclosed premises" legislation, but if there is an issue and a problem with enforcement/achieving points to prove reference the unlawful purpose I can see it being worthwhile, however with a FPN for breach of PSPO is significantly less serious than alternative, existing offences.
- More police.

Prohibiting public urination/defecation and unsafe disposal of drug paraphernalia

9) Do you think that prohibiting public urination/defecation and unsafe disposal of drug paraphernalia should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	47	97.9%
No	1	2.1%
Don't know	0	0%

10) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting public urination/defecation and unsafe disposal of drug paraphernalia?

- Fed up of litter everywhere - not enough bins.
- More mental health/addiction support needs to be around.

- Add easily accessible toilets to these places for those with medical conditions.
- Drug paraphernalia yes, urination and defecation no, provide more public and accessible toilets and then I would agree, surely this would penalise the homeless more than anyone else? Or those with disabilities caught short?
- A suitable notice may be useful where it is needed.
- It would be good if we could police the laws we already have i.e. dog fouling, littering, drug dealing, cannabis smoking and drug taking. Lets deal with this before we add more.
- Can you include disposal of used nappies! I've seen parents dump them on car parks at shops when there are baby changing facilities and bins nearby.
- This again requires a multi-agency approach to tackle the causes for this behaviour.
- If this is an issue, then it is an excellent condition, perhaps adding the use of such drug paraphernalia in those locations also. As with all the conditions, there needs to be visible enforcement of these conditions.
- Cannock's shop doorways smell disgusting.
- More police patrols at all times of the day not 9-5.
- Have accessible public toilets and a specific community collection point for disposal of drug items.
- Particularly a problem at Hednesford station. Are PSPO's enforceable by the police?
- It is a dangerous public health hazard and to animals.

Prohibiting abandoned items

11) Do you think that prohibiting of abandoned items in Restricted Areas should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	43	89.6%
No	0	0%
Don't know	5	10.4%

12) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting abandoned items in Restricted Areas?

- Needs further explanation or examples of...
- There are homeless people outside the one-stop at Pye Green and two more outside Aldi in Hednesford.
- Yes. I am thinking that it might be a fire hazard.
- Or perhaps house the homeless.
- A good condition, however again, this would need to be accompanied by publicity because people donating to charity shops outside of opening hours will find it very unfair if they were penalised.
- Yes especially bedding.

- They leave loads of stuff at Broadhurst Green Brindley Village and around all the towers - water Pye Green - comms towers.

Prohibiting loitering

13) Do you think prohibiting of loitering in Restricted Areas should be added to the Public Spaces Protection Order?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Yes	40	83.3%
No	4	8.3%
Don't know	4	8.3%

14) Do you have any comments or suggestions about prohibiting loitering within Restricted Areas?

- Sounds like an attempt to control movement of the public, including the right to demonstrate. Please give examples.
- Provide more support and activities for the community to do. Provide information and activities whereby people can be proud of their communities.
- I agree if they ARE causing a disturbance, but the 'likely to' aspect could be problematic (prejudiced views on are 'likely' due to age, race, gender). There aren't really any places for teens to meet up and this would be a group reported for being 'likely to' cause ASB. I agree they can be intimidating in large groups, but most are just hanging out with friends and chatting.
- While I agree in principle reality is that young people will be more targeted but those that actual are intimidating (e.g. large groups of loud drunk football fans) won't be.
- This is going to far. People must feel free to meet up as and when they wish but they can always be 'moved on' by a responsible person.
- This should include all children's parks now just town centre ones. Stadium park has a group of adults who frequently congregate outside the shops, before going over to the park to carry on drinking and some are smoking pot right next to a kids playground.
- My concern is that this just move the problem elsewhere.
- Although most small groups of teenagers do not wish it cause any disturbance or harm to the public there is a small minority that do and having a dispersal order who help with this matter.
- This could be massively contentious, however could be beneficial if policed effectively. A current issue is groups loitering and playing very loud music in the town centre - this is very intimidating to people needing to pass and also has the appearance of the groups seeking to be challenged for their anti-social behaviour This condition could help people be more inclined to visit the town centres if they felt safer doing so.
- Pye Green bridleway Hednesford smoking weed.
- Provide a safe place for young people to go.

About you

15) Please tell us about your relationship with Cannock Chase district. Are you a:

Answer	Number	Percentage
Resident	45	93.8%
Business Owner or employee	0	0%
Visitor	3	6.3%
Representative of an organization	1	2.1%
Other	0	0%

Representing an organization

- Rugeley Community Centre
- St Luke's Church

16) What is your age?

Answer	Number	Percentage
Under 16	0	0%
16-25	1	2.2%
26-35	3	6.5%
36-45	11	23.9%
46-55	9	19.6%
56-65	14	30.4%
66-75	7	15.2%
76-85	1	2.2%
86-95	0	0%
95+	0	0%