

PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER
Anti Social Behaviour Crime & Policing Act 2014
2020/10 – Dogs on Leads at Carlton Marshes Nature Reserve

Notice is hereby given that the **East Suffolk Council** in exercise of its powers under Section 59 of the Anti Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (“The Act”) makes the following Order:

1. Duration:

This Order shall come into force on 21st April 2020 and shall have effect for a period of three years thereafter, expiring on 20th April 2023 unless revoked, amended or extended by further orders.

2. The Restricted Area:

The Order applies to land known as Carlton Marshes Nature Reserve, situated between the A146 Beccles Road and Oulton Dyke (“the Restricted Area”), as shown on the attached plan.

3. Persons to whom this Order applies:

The Order applies to all persons within the Restricted Area at all times of the day and night.

4. The Activity:

The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 59 of the Act have been satisfied and that allowing dogs in the Restricted Area whilst not on a lead (“the Activity”) has a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality. Further, the Council is satisfied that the effect of the Activity is or is likely to be of a persistent or continuing nature and is or is likely to be such as to make the Activity unreasonable and the effect justifies the restrictions imposed.

5. Prohibitions/Requirement:

In pursuance of section 59 of the Act, the Council therefore requires persons taking a dog or dogs onto the Restricted Area to keep each dog on a lead **and** under close control at all times whilst in the Restricted Area.

6. Exemptions:

This order shall not apply to any person who:

- i. is authorised by the Suffolk Wildlife Trust for the time being to disregard the requirements of this order.
- ii. is for the time being in charge of an Assistance Dog upon which he relies for assistance.

7. Offences

- i. Failure without reasonable excuse to comply with the prohibitions imposed by this Order, as set out at point 5 above is a criminal offence.
- ii. A person guilty of such an offence, under section 67 of the Act, is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- iii. Alternatively, at the Council’s discretion, a person believed to have committed an offence may be offered the opportunity to discharge liability for prosecution by paying a fixed penalty of £80.

Signed:



Head of Environmental Services and Port Health

Dated: 21st April 2020

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