



# PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER

## Anti Social Behaviour Crime & Policing Act 2014 2018/05 – Dogs On Leads, Felixstowe Seafront Gardens

Notice is hereby given that the **Suffolk Coastal District 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:**

The Order shall come into force on ##### and shall have effect for a period of three years thereafter, expiring on ##### unless extended by further orders.

**2. The Restricted Area:**

The Order applies to the area of seafront gardens in Felixstowe, between a point to the East of the junction of Undercliff Road East and Bath Hill, bounded by Promenade on the South Eastern border, to a point North East of the junction of The Promenade and Bent Hill, comprising the whole of the area shaded pink on the accompanying map.

**3. Persons to whom this Order applies:**

The Order applies to all persons within the Restricted Areas 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 and under close control (“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 prohibitions imposed.

**5. Prohibitions:**

In pursuance of section 59 of the Act, the Council therefore prohibits dogs not on a lead and under close control within the “Restricted Area”

**6. Exemptions:**

This order shall not apply to any person who:

- i. is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
- ii. is for the time being in charge of an Assistance Dog registered with Assistance Dogs UK and 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/Sealed:

Dated:

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