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Called in

Yes/No

**THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET**

Cabinet Member

Cllr George Kup

Relevant Portfolio:

Community Safety

Date of Decision:

26 January 2023

Subject:

Public Spaces Protection Order - (Thanet District Council) No. 5 (Athelstan & Ethelbert Road)

Key Decision

No

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

The purpose of this report is to recommend that the Council exercises its powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 to introduce a Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) covering Athelstan & Ethelbert Roads and the alleyway between the two roads in Cliftonville West.

Decision made:

Cabinet agreed to:

1. Exercise its powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 to introduce a Public Space Protection Order;
2. Delegate any minor amendment of the PSPO to a Service Director.

Reasons for decision:

Councils can use PSPOs to prohibit specified activities, and/or require certain things to be done by people engaged in particular activities, within a defined public area. The Act gives councils the authority to draft and implement PSPOs in response to the particular issues affecting their communities, provided certain criteria and legal tests are met. On this occasion the legal tests have been met and the implementation is justified.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

1. To amend the recommendations and then approve them. This alternative was not considered suitable as the restriction of activities is proportionate to the issues presented;
2. To reject the proposed order and recommendations. This alternative was not considered suitable as the application for the order meets the legal and consultative requirements.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author of Officer report:

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Background papers

26 01 2023 Athelstan Ethelbert PSPO report - Google Docs  
Annex 1 - Bundle for PSPO Athelstan Ethelbert  
Annex 2 - Athelstan PSPO Equality Impact Assessment - Google Docs  
Annex 3 - Athelstan Ethelbert Sara Risk Matrix - Google Sheets  
Annex 4 - 22.12.22 Proposed PSPO Oct 22

Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

None

Last date for call in: 3 February 2023