

# PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION (BOROUGH WIDE - ALCOHOL) ORDER 2025 No 1

The Mayor and Burgesses of the London Borough of Hounslow ("**the Council**") make this Order under Section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ("**the Act**") and all other enabling powers, having consulted with relevant parties as required by Section 72 of the Act.

### **Commencement and Definitions**

- This Order may be cited as the Public Spaces Order (Borough Wide Alcohol) Order 2025 No 1 and shall come into operation on 9 April 2025 for a duration of three years, unless extended by further Order.
- 2. In this Order:

"Alcohol" has the meaning given by Section 191 of the Licensing Act 2003;

"**Authorised Person**" means a person authorised by the Council, a Police Officer/Constable or a Police Community Support Officer;

"**Fixed Penalty Notice**" has the meaning and is subject to the provisions of Section 68 of the Act;

"**Public Spaces**" means any place to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission; and

"**Restricted Area**" means all Public Spaces in the open air (including any park, open space, street or highway) in the London Borough of Hounslow, subject to exceptions under section 62 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

### Grounds for the Order

- 3. The Council makes this Order, being satisfied on reasonable grounds that the activities set out below in the Restricted Area have had or are likely to have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality, or it is likely that the activities will be carried out within that area and have such an effect.
- 4. The Council is also satisfied that the effect, or likely effect, of the activities is, or is likely to be, of a persistent or continuing nature, and these activities are unreasonable and justify the restrictions imposed by the Order, and that it is in all the circumstances, expedient to make this Order for the purpose of reducing antisocial behaviour in the Restricted Area.

### Conditions on Activities within the Restricted Area

- 5. The effect of the Order is to impose the following conditions at all times on the consumption of Alcohol which may cause anti-social behaviour within the Restricted Area:
- a. The prohibition of Alcohol consumption, by any person who, consumes Alcohol or anything which an Authorised Person reasonably believes to be Alcohol, having been required to stop the consumption, by an Authorised Person; and / or

 The requirement to surrender Alcohol, by any person who refuses to hand over any container (open or closed) which is believed to contain Alcohol, when required to do so by an Authorised Person;

UNLESS the person has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so.

# **Penalties**

- 6. In accordance with Section 63 and 67 of the Act, any person found to be in breach of paragraph 5 (a) or (b) of this Order shall be:
- a. guilty of an offence; and
- b. be liable to a Fixed Penalty Notice (which for information as at the date of this Order is limited to a maximum of £100 but may be varied from time to time) or, on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Level 2 on the standard scale (which for information as at the date of this Order is limited to a maximum of £500 but which may also be varied from time to time).

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Dated 8 April 2025.		Scal Reg No 15/1913
The Common Seal of the Mayor and Burgesses of the London Borough of Hounslow was affixed hereto	) )	
In the presence of an Authorised Office	r: A R IBBIB	

# CHALLENGING THE VALIDITY OF THE ORDER

In accordance with Section 66 of the Act, any Interested Person who wishes to challenge the validity of this Order may apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date on which the Order is made, on the grounds that: (a) the Council did not have the power to make the Order, or to include particular prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order; (b) a requirement under Part 4 Chapter 2 of Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 was not complied with in relation to this order. For these purposes 'Interested Person' means an individual who lives in the restricted area or who regularly works in or visits that area.