

Public Space Protection Order Dog Control Consultation Report

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1 Executive Summary

Bridgend County Borough Council undertook a public consultation on proposals to introduce a new Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) relating to dog fouling and dog control across all public spaces within the county borough.

The proposed Order seeks to address issues associated with dog fouling and irresponsible dog ownership by requiring persons in control of dogs to remove and appropriately dispose of dog faeces, carry suitable means to collect dog waste and place dogs on a lead when requested by an authorised officer.

The consultation was undertaken between 2 March 2026 and 25 May 2026 and provided residents, visitors, businesses and other stakeholders with an opportunity to comment on the proposed measures. A total of 1,274 responses were received.

The findings of the consultation will be used to inform the Council's consideration of the proposed PSPO and any subsequent decision regarding its implementation.

2 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to present the findings of the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) consultation relating to dog fouling and dog control, to summarise the views expressed by respondents and to provide an evidence base to support consideration of the proposed Order.

The report also fulfils the Council's commitment to undertake consultation before making a Public Spaces Protection Order under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

3 Connection to Corporate Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

The proposed PSPO supports the Council's commitment to creating clean, safe and attractive communities and contributes towards improving the quality of the local environment for residents and visitors.

The proposal supports the Council's wider objectives relating to community wellbeing, environmental quality, public health and civic pride by helping to reduce environmental nuisance and encourage responsible behaviour in public spaces.

4 Background

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) were introduced through the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and provide local authorities with powers to

address activities that have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in a locality.

The Council previously introduced a Public Spaces Protection Order for Dog Control in 2018 to tackle issues associated with irresponsible dog ownership. The Order required persons in control of dogs to remove dog faeces, carry suitable means to collect dog waste and place dogs on a lead when directed by an authorised officer.

The current consultation was undertaken to seek views on proposals to introduce a new PSPO covering all public spaces throughout Bridgend County Borough. The proposed Order would remain in force for a period of three years and includes exemptions for disabled persons whose disability prevents compliance with the requirements of the Order, assistance dogs and specified working dogs.

5 Current Situation

The proposed PSPO applies to all public spaces throughout Bridgend County Borough.

The draft Order would require persons in control of dogs to:

- Collect and appropriately dispose of dog faeces.
- Carry bags or other suitable means to collect dog faeces.
- Place dogs on a lead when directed to do so by an authorised officer.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the Order may constitute an offence under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and may result in enforcement action, including the issue of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Consultation respondents were invited to provide their views on the proposed measures and identify any additional activities or locations that they felt were having a detrimental effect on their quality of life.

6 Methodology

The consultation was undertaken between 2 March 2026 and 25 May 2026.

The consultation was available on the Council's EngagementHQ platform and was supported by a paper-based version of the questionnaire to enable participation by those unable to access the online survey. The consultation materials were made available bilingually and respondents were able to complete the survey in either Welsh or English. A Welsh language version of the survey was published on the Council's consultation platform to ensure that Welsh speakers were able to participate in the consultation through their preferred language. A letter sent to all appropriate consultees requesting their input on the consultation, informing them of

the purpose and how to access the survey. The letter is available in **Appendix 1**, and a full list of consultees is available in **Appendix 2**.

The survey sought views on the proposed implementation of dog control measures, levels of support for the proposed PSPO, experiences of dog ownership and dog walking, and any wider comments regarding Public Spaces Protection Orders.

Demographic information was collected on an optional basis to assist the Council in assessing whether the consultation had reached a broad range of residents and stakeholders.

A total of 1,274 responses were received and analysed. Quantitative responses were collated and reported alongside qualitative comments and thematic analysis of free-text responses where appropriate. During the consultation period, 1 response was received through the Welsh language version of the survey.

7 Marketing and Engagement Methods

This section details methods used to raise the profile of the consultation and encourage participation.

7.1 Engagement HQ

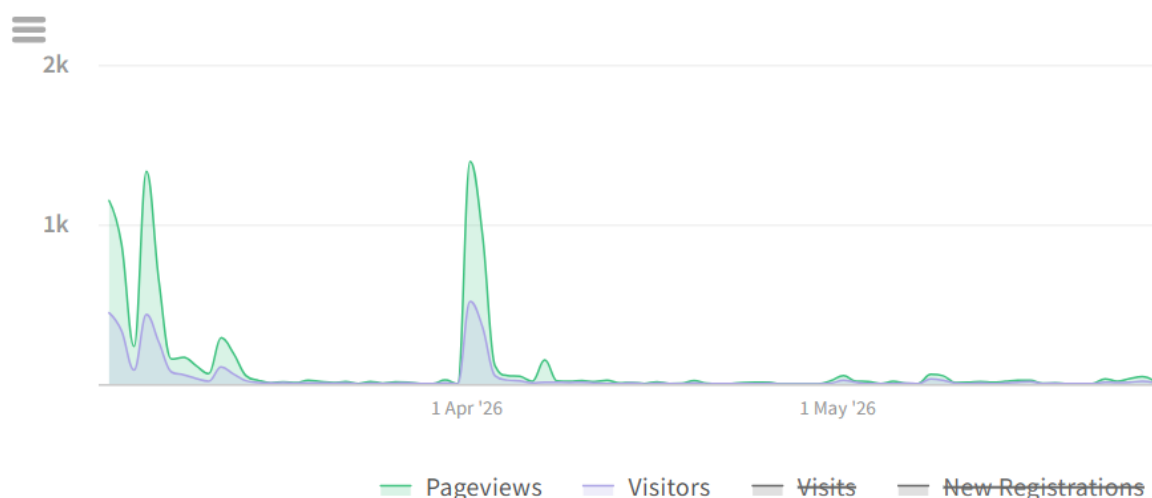
Engagement HQ is a digital engagement platform that supports the council's online consultation and engagement activities. The platform is available in both English and Welsh Language. The online survey was published using this platform, with the link available on the consultation page of the council's website, in both Welsh and English.

The following graph provides an overview of visitors to the PSPO project page on Engagement HQ.

Visitors Summary

Be involved, Bridgend from 02 Mar'26 to 25 May'26

DAILY MONTHLY



The table below shows the traffic sources to the Engagement HQ project page for the PSPO consultation.

Aware visitors	2329
Informed visitors	1370
Engaged visitors	837
Visits referred from social media	798
Visits referred from council's website	43
Visitors from search engine	27
Direct	2329

Aware visitors: A visitor that has made at least one single visit to the site or project page, and is therefore 'aware' of the project, but has not clicked anything or participated in the survey.

Informed visitors: An informed visitor has taken the 'next step' from being aware and clicked on something, for example, viewed key dates, a document, or clicked on the survey.

Engaged visitors: These are visitors that have engaged with the project by submitting a response to the learner travel consultation or booked onto one of the public engagement sessions.

7.2 Social Media

The Public Space Protection Order consultation information was posted bilingually to the council's corporate Twitter, Facebook Instagram, and LinkedIn channels throughout the consultation period to raise awareness of the consultation and to encourage people to share their views on the proposals.

The council currently has a combined 14,051 followers on its Welsh and English Twitter accounts, 25,528 followers on its Welsh and English Facebook pages, 3,873 followers on Instagram and 10,025 followers on LinkedIn. While content is most likely to be seen by these users, it is also displayed to users who are not connected to the accounts through sharing.

During the consultation period, the local authority posted 18 times across its Welsh English and social media channels. The content reached 6,633 people. A full social media analysis is shown in the table below.

Platform	Post no.	Total reach	Likes	Comments	Shares	Clicks
Twitter	14	1,887	3	0	0	7
Facebook	2	4,294	8	12	3	0
Instagram	1	271	1	0	0	0
LinkedIn	1	181	1	0	1	0

7.3 GovDelivery

GovDelivery is a digital communications tool that is used by the council, to send messages directly to residents' and staff email inboxes in the language of their choice.

7.3.1 Weekly Residents Digital News Bulletin (Included as one of 10 weekly stories)

The consultation was promoted 4 times in the weekly resident's bulletin. This was sent to 31,787 English subscribers and 404 Welsh subscribers. This resulted in 675 clicks on the link to the English survey and 4 clicks on the link to the Welsh survey.

7.3.2 Standalone bulletins to subscribers of residents' news bulletin

To further build on the weekly bulletin messages, a standalone message promoting the consultation was also issued to subscribers of our residents' news bulletin. The message was sent to 32,184 English subscribers and 386 Welsh subscribers. This led to 788 visits to the consultation page.

7.3.3 Waste and Recycling Digital News Bulletin

The consultation was also promoted 3 times through the Waste and Recycling digital news bulletin. It was sent to a total of 3,038 English subscribers, and 419 Welsh subscribers. This generated 193 clicks on the link to the English survey and 1 click on the link to the Welsh survey.

7.3.4 Monthly Staff Bulletin

The consultation was also highlighted in the Monthly Staff Bulletin, which has 5,085 subscribers. This resulted in 18 clicks on the link to the survey.

8 Summary of Responses / Survey Analysis

The Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) consultation was undertaken between 2 March 2026 and 25 May 2026. A total of 1,274 responses were received through this consultation, 1,273 of these responses were in English and 1 was in Welsh. The data from the Welsh and English surveys have been combined for the following analysis.

8.1 Respondent Profile

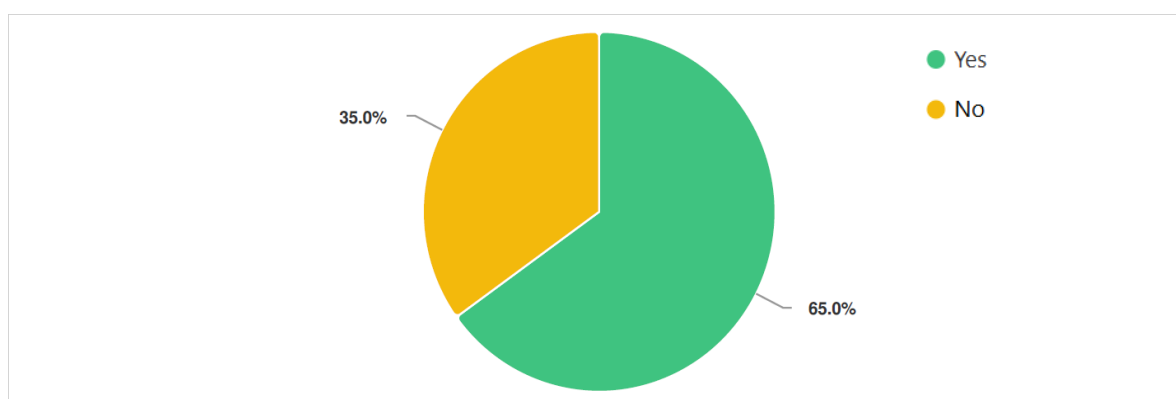
Q. Who are you responding as?

Respondent	No. of responses	Percentage of responses
A resident	1193	93.9%
A visitor	27	2.1%
A local councillor	25	2.0%
On behalf of a local business	6	0.5%
Other	20	1.6%

The table above demonstrates the identity of the respondents when asked “Who are you responding as?”. The majority of respondents identified themselves as residents of Bridgend County Borough, accounting for 1,193 responses. 20 respondents selected “other”. A breakdown of the identity of the “other” selections is shown below.

	No. of responses
Sports Club/Spots Coach	9
Sportsperson	1
Parent of child involved in sports	4
Veteran	1
Community Centre	2
Employed in Bridgend County Borough	1
Previous resident in Bridgend	1
School Governor	1

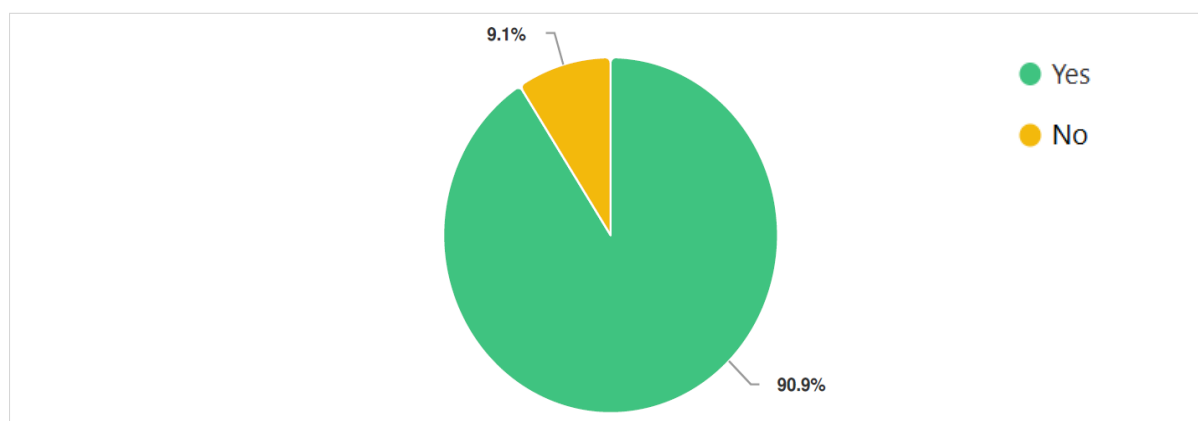
Q. Do you own or walk a dog?



A significant proportion of respondents were dog owners or dog walkers, with 826 respondents (65.0%) indicating that they owned or walked dogs, compared with 445 respondents (35.0%) who did not.

8.2 Support for the Proposed PSPO

Respondents were asked whether they agreed that the PSPO Dog Control Order should be implemented.



A total of 1,145 respondents (90.9%) supported the implementation of the proposed PSPO, whilst 115 respondents (9.1%) did not support the proposal. This demonstrates a strong level of public support for the continuation of dog control measures across the country borough.

8.3 Key Themes Identified

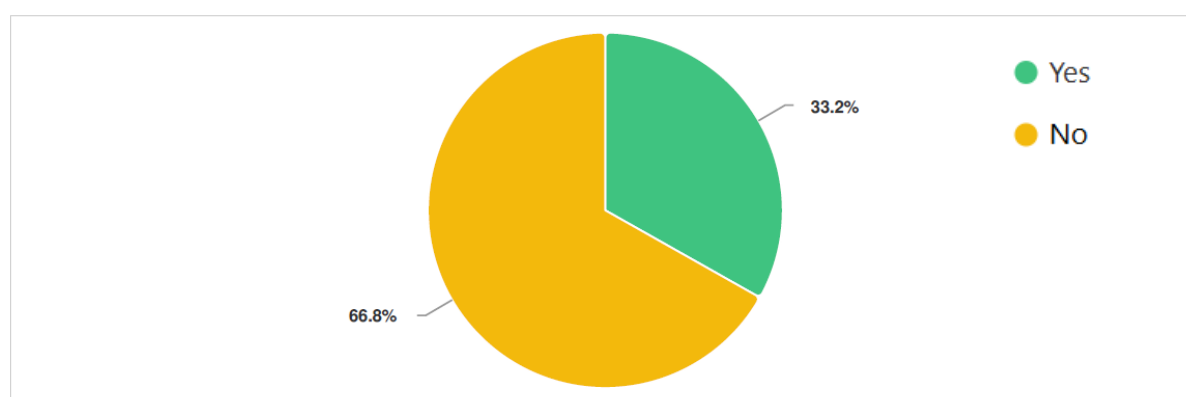
Analysis of the qualitative responses identified several recurring themes:

- Strong support for measures to tackle dog fouling and irresponsible dog ownership.
- Concerns regarding dog fouling on sports pitches, recreation grounds and areas used by children.
- Requests for increased enforcement activity and visible patrols to ensure compliance with the Order.
- Calls for the use of Fixed Penalty Notices and stronger sanctions for offenders.
- Suggestions for additional litter bins and dog waste disposal facilities in some locations.
- Concerns from some respondents regarding how the Order would be enforced in practice and whether sufficient resources would be available to support enforcement activity.
- A number of respondents raised concerns regarding restrictions on dog walking and the potential impact on responsible dog owners.

Many respondents referred specifically to dog fouling on sports pitches and playing fields, highlighting concerns regarding public health, children's safety and the usability of recreational facilities. Several respondents considered enforcement to be a critical factor in determining the effectiveness of the proposed Order.

8.4 Other Activities Affecting Quality of Life

Respondents were asked whether they were aware of any other activities or areas that they felt were having a detrimental effect on their quality of life and, where applicable, to provide further details.



Whilst the majority (812) of respondents indicated that they were not aware of any additional issues, approximately one-third (403) of respondents identified other concerns affecting their local area. Analysis of the comments identified the following recurring themes shown in the table below.

Theme	Comments
Anti-Social Use of Vehicles	Several respondents raised concerns regarding the illegal or irresponsible use of motorcycles, e-bikes and e-scooters, particularly on pavements, footpaths and public open spaces. Concerns focused on public safety, nuisance and the impact on pedestrians.
Dog Control and Responsible Ownership	Many responses continued to focus on dog-related issues beyond dog fouling. Respondents referred to dogs being exercised in inappropriate locations, dogs on sports pitches and concerns regarding dogs not being kept under proper control. Some respondents suggested further restrictions in specific locations, including sports pitches and beaches during seasonal restriction periods.
Sports Pitches and Recreational Areas	Sports grounds, playing fields and recreational facilities were frequently referenced. Respondents highlighted concerns regarding dog fouling on playing surfaces used by children and sports clubs, with several respondents identifying specific locations and reporting ongoing issues affecting the use and enjoyment of these facilities.
Environmental Cleanliness	A recurring theme related to wider environmental issues, including littering, inadequate waste disposal facilities, a lack of litter and dog waste bins, and concerns regarding the maintenance and emptying of bins. Some respondents highlighted the inappropriate disposal of bagged dog waste in trees, hedgerows and other public areas.
Enforcement and Compliance	Respondents frequently expressed concerns regarding the effectiveness of enforcement. A common view was that existing rules and restrictions would only be effective if supported by visible enforcement activity and appropriate penalties for non-compliance.
Local Infrastructure and Community Issues	A smaller number of responses referred to wider community concerns, including inconsiderate parking on pavements, a lack of public toilets and concerns regarding general anti-social behaviour within local communities.

Overall, the responses suggest that residents' concerns extend beyond dog fouling alone and encompass wider issues relating to environmental quality, anti-social

behaviour, public safety and the effective management of public spaces. The comments also indicate a strong desire for consistent enforcement of existing controls and measures intended to improve the local environment.

8.5 Equalities Considerations

Equalities monitoring information was collected on a voluntary basis. The responses received did not identify any significant adverse impacts arising from the proposed PSPO. A number of respondents highlighted the importance of maintaining exemptions for disabled persons and assistance dogs, and the proposed Order includes specific exemptions to address these circumstances.

8.6 Overall Findings

The consultation demonstrated a high level of public engagement and a strong level of support for the proposed Public Spaces Protection Order. The findings indicate that dog fouling continues to be viewed as an issue of concern by many residents and that there is broad support for measures intended to promote responsible dog ownership, protect public spaces and improve environmental quality throughout Bridgend County Borough.

9 Equalities Impact Assessment

An Equalities Impact Assessment screening was completed prior to the consultation period (**Appendix 3**).

The consultation included equality monitoring questions to help assess whether the views of people with protected characteristics were represented within the consultation findings.

The proposed Order contains specific exemptions for disabled persons whose disability would prevent them from complying with the requirements relating to dog fouling, together with exemptions for assistance dogs relied upon by disabled persons.

The proposed measures are intended to improve the cleanliness, accessibility and enjoyment of public spaces for all users. No significant adverse equality impacts have been identified through the consultation process; however, all feedback received has been considered in developing the final proposals.

9.1 Welsh Language Impact Assessment

A Welsh Language Impact Assessment was completed as part of the Equality Impact Assessment process. No negative impacts on opportunities to use the Welsh language were identified.

The proposed Public Spaces Protection Order relates to dog fouling and dog control requirements and does not directly affect opportunities for people to use the Welsh language. No adverse impacts on the Welsh language, or on the principle of treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, were identified through the consultation process or the accompanying Equality Impact Assessment.

The Council will continue to ensure that information relating to the Public Spaces Protection Order is available bilingually in accordance with its Welsh Language Standards and corporate commitments.

10 Conclusion

The consultation demonstrates a high level of public engagement with the proposed Public Spaces Protection Order relating to dog fouling and dog control.

The findings provide the Council with valuable evidence regarding public opinion on the proposed measures and the ongoing impact of dog fouling and irresponsible dog ownership within Bridgend County Borough.

The consultation responses, together with operational, legal and equality considerations, will be used to inform the Council's decision on whether to introduce the proposed Public Spaces Protection Order and the final form of any Order implemented.

11 Appendices

Appendix 1: Letter to consultees

Appendix 2: List of consultees

Appendix 3: EIA Screening Document

Appendix 1.

Communities Directorate

Our ref: PSPO 2026

Date: 03.03.26

Dear Consultee

Anti-social behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 Public Space Protection Order

Bridgend County Borough Council is seeking your views on proposals to implement a Public Space Protection order (PSPO) **to control dogs in public areas**

PSPO's are designed to stop individuals or groups committing anti-social behaviour in a public space. They are intended to deal with a particular nuisance or problem in a particular area that is detrimental to the local community's quality of life, by imposing conditions on the use of that area which apply to everyone.

They are designed to ensure the law-abiding majority can use and enjoy public spaces, safe from anti-social behaviour. They can be enforced by a police officer, police community support officers and council officers.

Breach of a PSPO is a criminal offence. Enforcement officers can issue a fixed penalty notice of up to £100 if appropriate or following a conviction in Court a person can receive a fine of up to £1,000.

Anyone who lives in, or regularly works in or visits the area can appeal a PSPO in the High Court within six weeks of issue

A PSPO can be issued if the Council are satisfied that the activities carried out in a public space:

- i. Have had, or are likely to have, a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality;
- ii. is, or is likely to be, persistent or continuing in nature;

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iii. is, or is likely to be, unreasonable; and

iv. justifies the restrictions imposed

Requirements of the Order

1. The effect of the Order is to impose the following conditions:-
 - a) A requirement for person(s) within the Restricted Area to collect and dispose of the faeces of dogs within their control by removing it and depositing the dog faeces in a bag which should be left in a litter bin or taken home
 - b) A requirement for person(s) within the Restricted Area who have dogs within their control to carry bags or other suitable means for the collection of dog faeces
 - c) A requirement for person(s) within the Restricted Area to place dogs in their control on a lead when requested to do so by an Authorised Officer. The Authorised Officer must specify the location and duration covered by a direction given under Paragraph 6 (C) of the Order

The results of the consultation exercise will be reported to a meeting of Cabinet, before a decision is taken on whether to implement the PSPO.

The Order, if approved, is scheduled to become effective following the Cabinet meeting and will Introduce a Dog Control Public Space Protection Order

The consultation will be open until 25th May 2026

Response to the consultation can be made via the following ways

Complete an online survey:

<https://beinvolvedbridgend.uk/engagementhq.com/public-space-protection-order-consultation-dog-fouling>

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In writing to:

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Yours sincerely

Jennifer Sparrow

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Appendix 2.

Full list of consultees who were sent a letter to inform them of the consultation.

All BCBC Councillors	Bridgend County Care and Repair	Cwm Llynfi Community Action
All Town and Community Councils	Bridgend County Swim Squad	Cwm Taf Morgannwg PSB
Dogs trust	Bridgend Herons Netball Team	Cwmpas
Community safety partnership	Bridgend Ladies Hockey Club	FC Maesteg
South Wales fire service	Bridgend Municipal Bowls Club	FC Porthcawl & Porthcawl Utd.
Bavo	Bridgend Ravens	Four Construction Group Ltd
The chief constable for South Wales Police	Bridgend Sports RFC	Friends of Maesteg Welfare Park
The Police and Crime Commissioner	Bridgend Town Council	Future Focus CIC
The BCU Commander	Bridgend Town Cricket Club	Garw Hub
The Head of Community Safety Partnerships	Bridgend Town FC	Garw SBGC (AFC)
Kennel club	Bridgend Town Junior FC	Garw Valley Community Council
Aberkenfig BGC	British Red Cross	Garw Valley Railway
Aberkenfig Bowls Clubs	Broadlands AFC	Gilfach Goch Bowls Clubs
Aberkenfig Ministries	Bryncethin RFC	Gilfach Goch RFC
AP Cymru	Bryntirion AJFC	Glamorgan Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club
Art & Soul Café CIC	Caerau AFC	Griffin Park Bowls Club
ASC Cymru	Caerau All Whites	Griffin Park Community Centre
Awen Cultural Trust	Caerau Athletic Bowling Club	Halo Leisure
BAD Bikes	Caerau Development Trust	Heol-Y-Cyw RFC
Baobab Bach	Caerau Dragons Boxing Club	Heol-Y-Cyw Workingmens Sports & Social Club
BCBC	Caerau Welfare Bowling Club	Hut 9 preservation Group
BCBC CAT	Calon y Cwm CIO / Garw Valley SBGC	Impetus Dance
BCBC Wellbeing	Cardiff Metropolitan University	Karma Seas CIC
Beach Academy Wales	Carn Rovers	Kenfig Hill & Pyle Bowls Club
Bettws FC Minis	CCYD	Kenfig Hill AFC

Billy's Gym & Wellness Centre	Cefn Cribwr Community Council	Kenfig Hill RFC
Bipolar UK	Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club	Lads & Dads
Blaengarw Cricket Club	Cefn Cribwr FC	Laleston Community Council
Blaengarw RFC	Cefn Cribwr RFC	Laleston Veterans Group
Brackla Community Council	Challoch Energy/Community Group	Learning Disability Wales
Brackla FC	Chapman Boxing	Llais Y Goedwig
Brackla Junior Football Club	Coity Higher Community Council	Llangeinor AFC
Brackla RFC	Community Furniture Aid	Llangeinor FC
Brackla Tabernacle	Cornelly Community Council	Llangeinor Partnership
Bridgend Association Bowls, Tennis & Squash	Cornelly United FC	Llangynwyd Lower Community Council
Bridgend Athletics Club	Cornelly United Juniors	Llangynwyd Rangers BGCW FC
Bridgend Athletics RFC	Coychurch Higher Community Council	Llangynwyd Middle Community Council
Bridgend Bereavement Support	Coychurch Lower Community Council	Llynfi BMX Club
Bridgend Blue Balls Rugby League	Coytrahen Community Association	Maesteg Bowling Club
Bridgend Carers	Creative Lives	Maesteg Canoe Club
Maesteg Celtic Cricket Club	Pontycymer Rugby	Wales Golf
Maesteg Celtic RFC	Porthcawl Athletics Association (PAA)	Welsh Warriors Boxing Club
Maesteg Cricket Club	Porthcawl Bowls Club	Westward Community Centre
Maesteg Golf Club	Porthcawl Cricket Club	Wildmill Community Life Centre Ltd
Maesteg Harlequins RFC	Porthcawl RFC	Wildmill Youth Club
Maesteg Park AFC	Porthcawl Rotary	Wyndham Bowling Club
Maesteg RFC	Porthcawl Town Athletic Football Club (Seniors)	Y Bont
Maesteg Squash Club	Porthcawl Town Athletic Mini & Juniors FC	Ynysawdre Community Council
Maesteg Town Council	Porthcawl Town Council	Ogmore Valley Local History Society
Maesteg Celtic Bowls Club	Porthcawl Triathlon Club	Porthcawl Community Hub/Sustainable Wales
Mental Health Matters (Wales)	Porthcawl United FC	Bryncethin Memorial Hall
Mental Health Matters Wales	Prince of Wales Court Bowling Club	Caerau Men's Shed

Monkey Music	Pyle Community Council	Pyle & Kenfig Golf Club
Mount Pleasant Riding Group for the Disabled	Pyle RFC	Wildmill Community Centre
Nantyllyllon RFC	Raw Performance CIC	
Ogmore Valleys Boxing Club	Reel Minds CIC	
Nantymoel RFC	Regeneration Funding and Regional Engagement Team Leade	
Newcastle Higher Community Council	Rest Bay Sports Club LTD	
Noddfa Chapel Community Project Ltd	Richard Price Community Centre Ltd	
Nottage Primary PTA	Sarah Burnell School of Dance	
Octopus for a Preemie	Senior Regeneration Funding Officer	
Ogmore Vale Bowls Club	Shared Prosperity Framework Co-ordinator	
Ogmore Vale Men's Shed	Small Woods	
Ogmore Vale RFC	Splice Child & Family	
Ogmore Valley Archers	St Ceins Church	
Ogmore Valley Community Council	St. Brides Minor Community Council	
Ogwr Hawks	STEER	
Pen Y Bont FC	Tanio	
Pen y Fai FC	The Ajuda Foundation	
Pencoed Athletic BGC/FC	The Bridgend Association of Bowls, Tennis and Squash Clubs CIC	
Pencoed Bowling Club	The Contact Zone	
Pencoed Cricket Club	The FAN Charity	
Pencoed RFC	Tondu Cricket Club	
Pencoed Town Council	Tondu RFC	
Penybont Academy & Youth Section	Tondu Robins AFC	
Penybont Athletic FC	Tondu Target Shooting Club	
Penybont Football Academy	Tondu United FC	
Penybont Triathlon Club	Tondu Wheelers	
Pontycymer RFC	Valley Ravens Mini & Juniors	
Pontycymer Bowls Club	Valleys Steps	

Appendix 3.

Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Form

This document is a multi-purpose tool ensuring the appropriate steps are taken to comply with the [Public Sector Equality Duty](#) Equality Impact Assessment legislation and to demonstrate that we have shown due regard to the need to reduce inequalities of outcome resulting from socio-economic disadvantage when taking strategic decisions under the [Socio-economic Duty](#). It also ensures consideration of the [Welsh Language Standards](#).

[Click here to access more information and guidance to help you complete this EIA.](#)

- **This assessment should be carried out during the formation stage of your policy or proposal. Any negative impact identified will support you to devise engagement strategies for further evidence gathering.**
- **If you are undertaking a full public consultation as part of your policy or proposal this form should be completed before the consultation begins and used as a tool to inform your consultation questions and engagement activities.**
- **All sections and all questions require a response and must not be left blank even if they are ‘not applicable’ or ‘subject to further consultation’.**

Name of project, policy, function, service or proposal being assessed:	Public Space Protection Order
Brief description and aim of policy or proposal:	To impose dog control order across the county borough if in line with consultation responses
Who is responsible for delivery of the policy or proposal?	Cleaner Streets team
Date EIA screening completed:	15/01/2026
Does this policy or proposal relate to any other policies? (please state)	No
Who is affected by this policy (e.g. Staff, residents, disabled people, women only?)	Residents and statutory partners
Is the policy related to, influenced by, or affected by other policies or areas of work (internal or external)? <i>Note: Consider this in terms of statutory requirements, local policies, regional (partnership) decisions, national policies, welfare reforms.</i>	No
If this is a review or amendment of an existing policy, has an EIA been carried out? Please include date of completion:	Previous EIA was completed March 2019 for expired PSPO.

If an EIA exists, what new data has been collected since its completion?

Assessment of Impact

Protected characteristics

Is it possible that any aspect of the policy or proposal will have a positive or negative impact on people from different groups in different ways?

***Please note: If you identify a negative impact for any protected characteristics you will need to undertake further evidence gathering to complete a full EIA.**

	Please place an X in the relevant box			Explanation of impact
	Positive impact(s)	Negative impact(s)	No impact	
Gender			X	The public space protection order is designed to address and or prevent anti – social behaviour imposing conditions around the disposal of dog faeces, carry of means to collect dog faeces and keeping control of their dog by placing it on a lead when requested.
Disability			X	The restrictions in Article 6 of this Order shall not apply to Disabled persons as defined by the Equality Act 2010 where the person suffers from a disability which would prevent them from collecting their dog faeces.
Race			X	
Religion and belief			X	
Sexual Orientation			X	
Age			X	

Pregnancy & Maternity			X	
Transgender			X	
Marriage and Civil partnership			X	
Care experienced			X	

Socio-economic impact

Is it possible that any aspect of the policy or proposal will have a positive or negative impact on people or communities experiencing socio-economic disadvantage?

***Please note: If you identify a negative socio-economic impact you will need to undertake further evidence gathering to complete a full EIA.**

	Please place an X in the relevant box			Explanation of impact
	Positive impact(s)	Negative impact(s)	No impact	
Socio-economic disadvantage			X	

Welsh Language

Is it possible that any aspect of the policy or proposal will have a positive or negative impact for persons to use the Welsh language and in treating the Welsh language less favourably than the English language?

***Please note: If you identify a negative impact for persons to use the Welsh language and in treating the Welsh language less favourably than the English language you will need to undertake further evidence gathering to complete a full EIA.**

	Please place an X in the relevant box			Explanation of impact
	Positive impact(s)	Negative impact(s)	No impact	
Will the policy or proposal impact on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language			x	All signage and documents will be available in Welsh
Will the policy or proposal treat the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language			x	

Public Sector Equality Duty

The Public Sector Equality Duty consists of a general equality duty and specific duties, which help authorities to meet the general duty.

The aim of the general equality duty is to integrate considerations of the advancement of equality into the day-to-day business of public authorities. In summary, those subject to the equality duty, must in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct that is prohibited by the Act.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a characteristic and those who don't
- Foster good relations between people who share a characteristic and those who don't

How does this policy or proposal demonstrate you have given due regard to the general equality duty?

The order aims to limit anti social behaviour in specified areas. It contributes to the wellbeing objective -supporting communities to be safe and cohesive. The order promotes good relations between all sections of the local community.

Procurement and partnerships

The Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requires all public authorities to consider the needs of protected characteristics when designing and delivering public services, including where this is done in partnership with other organisations or through procurement of services. The Welsh Language Standards also require all public authorities to consider the effects of any policy decision, or change in service delivery, on the Welsh language, which includes any work done in partnership or by third parties. We must also ensure we consider the Socio-economic Duty when planning major procurement and commissioning decisions to consider how such arrangements can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage.

Will this policy or proposal be carried out wholly or partly by contractors or partners?

	Please place an X in the relevant box:
Yes	
No	x

If yes, what steps will you take to comply with the General Equality Duty, Welsh Language Legislation and the Socio-Economic Duty in regard to procurement and/or partnerships?

	Steps taken to ensure compliance:
General Equality Duty	n/a
Welsh Language legislation	n/a
Socio-economic duty	n/a

What have you decided to do?

Record of decision based on assessment of impact on protected characteristics, socioeconomic impact and Welsh Language. Please place an X in the relevant box.

If you identify negative impact on one, some or all protected characteristics, socioeconomic duty or Welsh Language you will MUST complete a full EIA.

Impact identified	Next steps:	Please place an X in the relevant box:
No negative impact identified	Screen out: carry on with the policy or proposal	x
One or more negative impact identified	Complete full EIA to gather more evidence on potential negative impacts	
Please explain the reasons for this decision. If you have 'screened out' you must include information and evidence to justify your decision.		

Approval:

Date EIA screening completed:	
Approved by (Head of Service):	 Zachary Shell
Date of approval by HoS:	15/01/2026

If this screening has identified that a full EIA is needed, who will carry out the full EIA?	
If this screening has identified that a full EIA is needed when will the Full EIA be completed by (Date):	

When complete, this form must be retained by the service, a copy should also be sent to equalities@bridgend.gov.uk

The EIA screening should be referenced and summarised in the relevant cabinet report for this policy. Where a full EIA is needed this should be included as an appendix with the cabinet report and therefore available publicly on the website.