

Equality and Future Generations Evaluation

Name of the Officer completing the evaluation Huw Owen Phone no: 01873 735433 E-mail: huwowen@monmouthshire.gov.uk	Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal To seek endorsement from Members to commence public consultation on the introduction of a Public Spaces Protection Order for dog controls in Monmouthshire under the provisions of the Anti – social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.
Name of Service area	Date
Public Protection	February 2020

1. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	Young children are most likely to be exposed to dog fouling through their outside play activities and potential health impacts if personal hygiene has not fully developed.	Proposed public consultation to enable this to be fully explored.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.
Disability	Wheelchair users particularly affected by dog fouling on streets, pathways etc.	Proposed public consultation to enable this to be fully explored.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.
Gender reassignment	None	None	N/A
Marriage or civil partnership	None	None	N/A

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Pregnancy or maternity	None	None	N/A
Race	None	None	N/A
Religion or Belief	.None	None	N/A
Sex	None	None	N/A
Sexual Orientation	None	None	N/A
Welsh Language	Advice to be taken if public consultation on Council's website etc to be bi lingual. Public Spaces Protection Order signage will need to be bi lingual	None	N/A
Poverty	None	None	N/A

2. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal. There's no need to put something in every box if it is not relevant!

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	Positive: Aim is to ensure the Council uses legislative tools available to be efficient and effective in carrying out its responsibilities to help provide a clean, healthy environment.	N/A
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	Positive: To help secure a behavioural change so that dog fouling is socially unacceptable and reduce pressure on the county, town and community councils to deal with it. Resources then freed up to deal with other priorities.	N/A
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	Positive: the public consultation will help guide council officers in the best way to deal with with dog fouling issues, which negatively affect the community's quality of life, in a proportionate and efficient manner.	N/A
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	Positive: dog fouling is considered to be the environmental problem which has the greatest impact on the look and feel of a neighbourhood. Public consultation to help guide officers in the best way to help deliver behavioural change.	N/A
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local	Positive: setting an example for developing communities which are attractive, viable and safe.	N/A

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
social, economic and environmental wellbeing		
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	Positive: aim is to ensure sports and play areas in Monmouthshire are free from dog fouling	N/A
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	N/A	N/A

3. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle		Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Long Term	Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	The consultation is aimed at guiding officers as to how best to reduce fouling in public areas both in the short and long term.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.

Sustainable Development Principle		Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?	
Collaboration	Working together with other partners to deliver objectives	Wide ranging public consultation proposed to take into account views of public in Monmouthshire and external agencies that have a vested interest in responsible dog ownership and welfare.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.	
	Involving those with an interest and seeking their views	Wide ranging public consultation proposed to take into account views of public in Monmouthshire and external agencies that have a vested interest in responsible dog ownership and welfare.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.	
Involvement Prevention	Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse	Intention is to consider and where appropriate use the legislative tools available with the aim of helping to achieve behavioural change in the small percentage of dog owners who are not acting responsibly.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.	
Integration	Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies	Wide ranging public consultation on Public Spaces Protection Order to be followed at a later date by a further public consultation on draft Order if considered needed.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.	

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on the following important responsibilities: Social Justice, Corporate Parenting and Safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect any of these responsibilities?

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Social Justice	Public Spaces Protection Order powers being considered enable a proportionate response / penalty for an offence.	Public consultation feedback to be fully considered in due course.	
Safeguarding	Having the legislative powers available helps protect the public health of all age groups.		
Corporate Parenting			

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Complaints received by Environmental Health, Waste and Street Services and participants in Give Dog Fouling The Red Card Working Group.	

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

Proposed public consultation will help fully consider the dog control issues in the county and how best to use the legislation available to impriove the situation and secure cleaner, healthier public areas.

A second report to Stronger Communities Select following the consultation is proposed with recommendations on the merits of making a Public Spaces Protection Order and the detail of controls to be included in such an Order.

Further public consultation on a draft Order if such an Order is considered appropriate following initial consultation appraisal.

A third report to Stronger Communities Select will be needed for pre decision scrutiny before the Order goes to Individual Cabinet Member Decision.

7. ACTIONS: As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible
		Huw Owen
Public consultation if endorsed by Select.	Expediate consultation once endorsed, proposed consultation period 3 months.	

8. VERSION CONTROL: The Equality and Future Generations Evaluation should be used at the earliest stage, such as informally within your service, and then further developed throughout the decision making process. It is important to keep a record of this process to demonstrate how you have considered and built in equality and future generations considerations wherever possible.

Version No.	Decision making stage	Date considered	Brief description of any amendments made following consideration
1	Stronger Communities Select Committee	12.3.20	