

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000078
Date 15 April 2016

Public Space Protection Orders

Request:

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

There are four parts to my request.

- 1) At the most recent count, how Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople resided in your area of jurisdiction?
[See attached.](#)

- 2) Could I see a copy of any injunctions made by your Council since the 1st of May 2010 under the Local Government Act 1972 or the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 which refer to:
 - i) Gypsies
 - ii) Travellers
 - iii) Showmen/Showpeople
 - iv) Bargees
 - v) Encampments?

[The information that you have requested is held on court record, it is exempt from disclosure. Therefore your request for information is being refused on this occasion, under section 32\(1\) of the Freedom of information Act 2000.](#)

[Section 32 - Court records](#)

- (1) [Information held by a public authority is exempt information if it is held only by virtue of being contained in—](#)
 - (a) [any document filed with, or otherwise placed in the custody of, a court for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter,](#)
 - (b) [any document served upon, or by, a public authority for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter, or](#)
 - (c) [any document created by—](#)
 - (i) [a court, or](#)
 - (ii) [a member of the administrative staff of a court, for the purposes of proceedings in a particular cause or matter.](#)

[You can find out more about Section 32 by reading the extract from the Act and some guidance points we consider when applying this exemption, attached at the end of this letter You can also find more information by reading the full text of the Act \(available at:](#)

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/contents>

and further guidance

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/guidance/freedom-of-information.htm>



- 3) Does any final, voted on, version of a PSPO under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 made by your council make reference to any of the following:
- i) Travellers
 - ii) Gypsies
 - iii) Showmen or Showpeople
 - iv) Camping and/or tents
 - v) Caravans, vans or van dwellers
 - vi) Encampments
 - vii) Itinerants or itinerancy
 - viii) Unauthorised developments
 - ix) Canals
 - x) Barges
- and if so, could I see a copy?

[See below.](#)

- 4) Is your council consulting on whether a PSPO should be approved which makes reference to any of the following:
- i) Travellers
 - ii) Gypsies
 - iii) Showmen or Showpeople
 - iv) Camping and/or tents
 - v) Caravans, vans or van dwellers
 - vi) Encampments
 - vii) Itinerants or itinerancy
 - viii) Unauthorised developments
 - ix) Canals
 - x) Barges

[Section 22 Freedom of Information Act – Information intended for future publication \(this will all come out in time when we are ready and the “public” and travellers’ representatives etc. will have their opportunity to have their say about Public Space Protection Orders affecting travellers in due course\)](#)

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 **Wolverhampton**
City Council  **Wolverhampton Homes**

PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER
(pursuant to Section 59 of Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)


LOW HILL

IN PUBLIC AREAS :
"From 20 July 2015 everyone is prohibited from :-

- 1) Parking a caravan, or being in a caravan
- 2) Fly-tipping or littering
- 3) Allowing a dog belonging to you or your family to be outside of your control or outside of your home without a lead"

PENALTY FOR BREACH
Fixed Penalty notice £80 (section 68 Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)
OR
Fine up to £1000 (section 67 Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)

Further information go to : www.whomes.org/uk/asb



The map shows a street layout with a shaded area representing the Public Space Protection Order. The Recreation Ground is labeled in the top left. The word 'LOW HILL' is written across the map. A legend in the top right of the map area reads 'Public Space Protection Order Low Hill'.