

The Public Spaces Protection Order – Ashfield District Council 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ashfield District Council in exercise of its power under Anti-Social Behaviour Crime Policing Act 2014 has enacted a Public Space Protection Order to tackle car cruising around junction 27 of the M1.

This Order comes into force on the 4th May 2018 and shall have effect for a period of 3 years, unless extended by further orders under the Council's statutory powers.

Any person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with an authorised officer, PCSO or constable's request under this provision may commit an offence and be liable to prosecution.

The Order relates to the area surrounding Junction 27 of the M1 Motorway and A611 with specific roads/carriageways subject to restriction.

The Order prohibits car cruise events where motor vehicles congregate and any of the following activities occur:

- a. Motor vehicles are driven at excessive speed or accelerated aggressively;
- b. Motor vehicles are raced against one another;
- c. Stunts are performed in motor vehicles;
- d. Music is played on equipment installed in a motor vehicle which is audible outside the vehicle; or
- e. Motor vehicles are driven in convoy, whether side by side or in single file
- f. Sounding horns (so as to cause public nuisance)
- g. Congregating to spectate the above activities.

So as to cause any of the following:

- a. Excessive noise;
- b. Danger to other road users;
- c. A risk of injury to any person; or
- d. A risk of damage to property.
- e. Causing obstruction on a public highway, or publically accessible place, or private land, whether moving or stationary.

Prohibition includes participating in a car cruise event either as a driver, or passenger of a vehicle within the area designated in the Public Spaces Protection Order.

A person who is guilty of an offence under this Order shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Fixed Penalty Notices

Ashfield District Council intends to issue fixed penalty notices to enforce the proposed order, the fine will be £100 and failure to pay may lead to summary conviction and a fine not exceeding level 3 on the Standard Scale.

Schedule 1 – Restricted Area

