

**Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014**

**Public Space Protection Orders**

**Dogs on Leads by Direction**

Rossendale Borough Council (in this order called “the Authority”) hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order comes in to force on **19<sup>th</sup> August 2019**
2. This Order applies to land specified in Schedule 1
3. In this Order “an authorised officer of the Authority” means an employee of the Authority who is authorised in writing by the authority for the purposes of giving direction under this Order.

**Offence**

4. (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time as specified in Schedule 2, on any land to which this order applies, he/she does not comply with a direction given to him/her by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and hold the dog on a lead of not more than 2 metres in length, unless –

- (a) he/she has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
- (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to his failing to do so.

(2) For the purposes of this article-

(a) A person who habitually has a dog in his possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog;

(b) an authorised officer of the Authority may only give a direction under this Order to put and keep a dog on a lead if such restraint is reasonably necessary to prevent a nuisance or behaviour by the dog likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person (on any land to which this Order applies) or the worrying or disturbance of any animal or bird.

**Penalty**

5. A person who is guilty of an offence under article 4 shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

19<sup>th</sup> August 2019

**THE COMMON SEAL OF ROSSENDALE )**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL** was hereunto )  
affixed in the presence of:- )

**Schedule 1.**

Land to which this Order applies:

This Order will apply to any land which is open to the air and to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access within the Borough of Rossendale.

**Schedule 2.**

Times or Periods to which this Order applies:

At all times.