

# WILSON PARK AND ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCHYARD Leads At All Times Order.

## Introduction

Duddon Parish Council has proposed that **Wilson Park** and **St Mary Magdalene Churchyard** should be protected by a **Leads At All Times Order**, which is one of the controls of the **Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)**. The below maps outline (in red) the proposed boundaries of the Leads At All Times Order:



If applied, the Leads At All Times Order will make it an offence for an owner to not place and keep their dog on a lead at all times whilst on the land.

It is hoped that this will encourage people to clean up after the dogs.

This is your opportunity to give us your feedback on the proposed Leads At All Times Order. This short survey will ask a series of questions about your support for the proposed order, and any concerns that you may have on its application. We welcome any feedback that you have on the proposed order.

To read more about the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) please turn to page 3.

## **Please return your questionnaire by 20 April 2018.**

Completed questionnaires can be taken to council offices or posted to the address on the back page.

You can also complete this survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VL53299>

If you have any queries, would like to request additional copies or would like help taking part please contact **Duddon Parish Council** on: **01229 889319** or email [info@duddonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:info@duddonparishcouncil.org.uk)

## Leads at All Times

**Q1** Do you support the general principle of a Leads At All Times Order? Tick ONE only

Yes

No

**Q2** To what extent do you support dogs being placed and kept on leads in this area? Tick ONE only

	Strongly support	Support	Neither/ Nor	Don't support	Strongly don't support	Don't know
Wilson Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Churchyard of St Mary Magdalene	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q3** Do you have any concerns about the possible impact this protection may have on the proposed areas? Tick ONE only

Yes

No

If yes, please state

**Q4** Any other comments? Please write below

## About You

**Q5** Do you own a dog or walk one for someone else? Tick ONE only

Yes

No

**Q6** Do you live locally? Tick ONE only

Yes

No

**Q7** What was your age on your last birthday? Tick ONE only

Under 16

16-25

26-35

36-50

51-65

66-80

Over 80

**Q8** Are you ...? Tick ONE only

Male

Female

Prefer not to say

**Q9****Do you have a long-standing disability or infirmity, which limits your activities in any way?** Tick ONE only

Yes

No

## What will happen as a result of the consultation?

The results of the consultation will be used as evidence to prove the need and public support for a Leads At All Times Order in these two areas. The SLDC Cabinet will make the decision to include these two areas of land under the existing and district wide Public Space Protection Order.

**Thank you for taking part, please return your questionnaire by  
Date: 20 April 2018**

**Return by post:****Parish Clerk****Duddon Parish Council****Browfoot Cottage****Grizebeck****Kirkby-in-Furness****Cumbria****LA17 7XH****Or completed questionnaires can be left at:****Broughton Information Centre**

## Public Space Protection Order

The Dog Control Order legislation expired in October 2017 and has been replaced by a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Under government legislation a PSPO specifies an area where activities are taking place that are or may be detrimental to the local community's quality of life. The PSPO can then be used to impose restrictions on the use of the area that will apply to everyone.

The PSPO is designed to ensure that the law-abiding majority can enjoy public spaces, safe from anti-social behaviour.

South Lakeland District Council has put a Public Space Protection Order in place that has several District wide protections that apply to all public land in South Lakeland. These protections are (paraphrased and in plain English):

- **Fouling** – owners must remove faeces from public land
- **Leads by Order** – owners must comply with an order from an enforcement officer to place and keep a dog on a lead
- **Means to pick up** – owners must have appropriate means to pick up dog faeces
- **Limit on the number of dogs that can be walked at a time** – owners must not walk more than five dogs at any one time

There are two more protections that can be applied to public land but will only apply to land that has been specifically chosen by South Lakeland District Council or the local Parish Council. These protections are (paraphrased and in plain English):

- **Leads** – owners must place and keep dogs on a lead at all times
- **Dog Exclusion Zones** – owners must not take dogs onto, or allow them to enter or remain on the land

These protections are most likely to be applied to areas such as; children's playgrounds, playing fields, and cemeteries. PSPOs only apply to public land. If you ignore a PSPO, you can be fined, £100 on the spot (a Fixed Penalty Notice) or up to £1,000 if it goes to court. You can't be fined if you're a registered blind dog owner.