

# Anti-social use of vehicles Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) - Survey



Crawley Borough Council is proposing to renew the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) under Section 59 Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, designating the area of Crawley, West Sussex as shown edged black on the plan referred to in this Notice as a PSPO area to anti-social use of vehicles activity, also known as car cruising.

The following pages contain copies of both the proposed Order and coverage area.

The effect of this Order is such that the police and council officers will have the power to prohibit "car cruise" activity and the behaviours associated with it within the designated area. A person guilty of such an offence can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice. For persistent offenders the council can prosecute for breach of the PSPO, any person found guilty is liable on summary conviction to a fine of up to £1000.

The introduction of the PSPO was initially effective in reducing car cruising activity in the area. However, we have recently seen an increase in car cruising activity reports. Local businesses and residents in Crawley are still affected by vehicles gathering in large groups and engaging in anti-social 'car cruise' activity. The behaviour associated with this is damaging private and public land and causing a danger to pedestrians and other road users.

Businesses and residents have reported various problems including significant noise i.e. loud music and sounds of cars racing, foul language, litter and detritus, tyre marks, and urinating in doorways and letterboxes.

If you wish to support/object this proposal, please complete our online questionnaire.

## About you

Are you a Crawley Resident?

- Yes
- No

If yes, which neighbourhood ward do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, which town or city do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

## Q1) Have you been affected by car cruising activity in the last 12 months?

- Yes
- No

If 'Yes' please briefly describe how you have been affected:

**Q2) If answered 'Yes' to Q2, how often have you experienced or been affected by car cruising in the past 12 months?**

- None
- 1-2 times
- 3-4 times
- 5-6 times
- More than 6 times

**Q3) How much of a problem do you think car cruising is in Crawley?**

- Very big problem
- Fairly big problem
- Not a big problem
- Not a problem at all
- Don't know/ not applicable

**Q4) Do you take part in any anti-social use of vehicles or car cruising activity in Crawley as stated in the draft Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)?**

- Yes
- No

**Q5) Do you support the implementation of the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to ban car anti-social driving Crawley?**

- Yes
- No

If 'No' please state your reason(s) why:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

**Please place your finished survey in the black ballot box marked 'PSPO Surveys'.**

If you wish to speak to someone regarding this proposal or require further information, please contact Laura Padgett on 01293 438374 or Nicola Glemas 01293 438313 or e-mail [pspo@crawley.gov.uk](mailto:pspo@crawley.gov.uk)

Finally, if you witness any activity involving the anti-social use of vehicles, please report it to Sussex Police by calling 101 or reporting online at [sussex.police.uk](http://sussex.police.uk)