

Decision Schedule



Cabinet Member for Licensing & Regulation

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

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The Cabinet Member took the following decisions on 16 January 2018. They will become effective at Noon on 24 January 2018 with the exception of any particular decision, which is the subject of a valid "call-in".

The deadline for submission of a 'Call-in' request form is 4.00 pm on 23 January 2018.

Information relating to the 'Call-in' process can be found via [Democratic Services](#).

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Newport City Centre Market Arcade: Public Space Protection Order - Consultation

Options Considered/Reasons for Decision

The Cabinet Member for Licensing & Regulation was asked to consider and agree to public consultation on the possible introduction of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to close the Market Arcade at night to the public.

A Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) was designed to prevent individuals or groups committing antisocial behaviour in a public space where the behaviour was having, or was likely to have, a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality; and the behaviour was or likely to be persistent or continuing in nature and be unreasonable.

The city centre Market Arcade was built in 1869 and runs between the north end of High St and Market St (Map at Appendix A). Its use had declined substantially in recent decades although it was hoped that HLF Townscape Heritage Funding would enable the Arcade to be restored and brought back into use as a 21st century asset to the City.

Due the anti-social behaviour being experienced in the Arcade, it was timely for the Council to consider implementing a PSPO to close the Arcade at night to the public. There was a public right of way, a highway, running through the Arcade and therefore the arcade owners could not simply close the Arcade whenever they wished.

This report asked the Cabinet Member to agree that public consultation took place as to a possible PSPO to close the Arcade at night with the use of gates. Approval of a PSPO was reserved to Full Council. If the Cabinet Member therefore considered that a PSPO should be made, following consultation and in the light of representations received, then a Report would be presented to Council for consideration and agreement.

Decision

To approve public consultation on the proposed Newport Market Arcade Public Space Protection Order to close the Arcade at night to the public.

Consultation

Monitoring Officer, Head of Finance and Head of Regeneration, Investment & Housing.

All members were consulted and provided with an opportunity to comment. Any comments received and response thereafter are set out in the report.

Implemented By: Head of Regeneration & Investment
Implementation Timetable: Immediate

COUNCILLOR R TRUMAN, CABINET MEMBER FOR LICENSING & REGULATION

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