



Title of Report:	Dog Control Orders
Committee Report Submitted To:	Environmental Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	10th December 2024
For Decision or For Information	For Information
To be discussed In Committee	No

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Healthy and Engaged Communities
Outcome	Enforcement of Statutory Duties
Lead Officer	Head of Health and Built Environment

Estimated Timescale for Completion	
Date to be Completed	NA

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	N/A
Included in Current Year Estimates	N/A
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	N/A
Staffing Costs	N/A

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	N/A	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	N/A	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	N/A	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information regarding dog control orders.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 Further to ES240514 Members requested a report on dog control orders in place in the Borough and the mechanism to introduce new dog control orders.
- 2.2 The complete set of Dog Control Orders currently in force are attached as appendices 1 – 3.
- 2.3 Council may exercise the power to introduce further Dog Control Orders where there is demonstrable evidence that an Order is necessary to address dog control problems in particular areas.
- 2.4 The arbitrary introduction of Dog Control Orders across the Borough, where no evidence of issues exists is contrary to the Guidance issued to Councils by the Department of the Environment and could be subject to legal challenge.
- 2.5 Where a Dog Control Order is introduced Council must erect sufficient signs at the locations to reasonably advise the public of the provisions. Additionally, the Orders need to be monitored by enforcement staff to ensure compliance.

3.0 Guidance when imposing a Dog Control Order

The Department of the Environment (NI) produced guidance for District Councils to refer to when considering imposing Dog Control Orders called 'Guidance on Part 5 of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011' which can be found at <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/doe/guidance-dog-control-orders.pdf>

The following excerpts are from that guidance on general principles:

- Paragraph 1.3 - District councils may make dog control orders, provided that they are satisfied that an order is justified, and they have followed the necessary procedures. It is also important for any district council considering a dog control order to be able to show that this is a necessary and proportionate response to problems caused by the activities of dogs and those in charge of them.
- Paragraph 1.5 - Enforcement of the legislation is just one tool that is available to district councils to deal with dogs. Councils should bear in mind that the introduction of a dog control order may not always be the

most appropriate course of action and that education also has an important part to play in promoting responsible dog ownership.

- Paragraph 2.2 - The council needs to balance the interests of those in charge of dogs against the interests of those affected by the activities of dogs, bearing in mind the need for people, in particular children, to have access to dog-free areas and areas where dogs are kept under strict control, and the need for those in charge of dogs to have access to areas where they can exercise their dogs without undue restrictions. A failure to give due consideration to these factors could make any subsequent dog control order vulnerable to challenge in the Courts.
- Paragraph 2.3 District councils should also consider how easy a dog control order would be to enforce, since failure to enforce properly could undermine the effect of an order. This is particularly the case for orders that exclude dogs completely from areas of land.
- Erecting signage - Regulation 3(4)(a) of the Procedures Regulations provides the legal requirement that, where practicable, signs must be placed summarising the order on land to which a new order applies, thereby informing the public that the land is subject to an order.

4.0 Procedures for making a Dog Control Order

4.1 The 'Guidance on Part 5 of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011' also sets out the procedures for making a dog control order. The following excerpts are from that guidance:

- Paragraph 2.5 - The Procedures Regulations require that before it can make a dog control order, a district council must publish a notice describing the proposed order on the council's website and in a local newspaper circulating in the same area as the land to which the order would apply and invite representations on the proposal.

The notice must:

- (a) identify the land to which the order will apply;
- (b) summarise the order;
- (c) if the order will refer to a map, say where the map can be inspected. This must be at an address in the district council's area, be free of charge, and be available at all reasonable hours during the consultation period;
- (d) state that representations about the proposal may be made to the council and give the date by which they must be made. The final date for representation must be at least 28 days after the publication of the notice.

- Paragraph 2.6 At the end of the consultation period the council must consider any representations that have been made. If it then decides to proceed with the order, it must decide when the order will come into force. This must be at least 14 days from the date on which it was made.

5.0 Considerations for Council

- The relevant guidance requires that the introduction of any Dog Control Order must be justified.
- Councils must take into account the interests of dog owners to be able to exercise their dogs without undue restrictions.
- Any proposed Dog Control Order must have a public consultation and the responses from this consultation such as objections to the Dog Control Order must be considered.
- The introduction of any Dog Control Order is subject to legal challenge and may fail if Council cannot demonstrate that such an Order is required and justified.
- Resource requirements for introducing Dog Control Orders include expenditure for signage as well as staff resources for ongoing enforcement monitoring of the Orders once implemented.

6.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Committee Members consider the above information.



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Dog Control Orders

1st March 2015

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The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No. 114)

The Dogs Exclusion (Coleraine Borough Council) Order 2014

Coleraine Borough Council hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order comes into force on **1st day of March 2015**
2. This Order applies to the land specified in the schedule

Offence

3.

(1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if at any time he takes the dog onto, or permits the dog to enter or to remain on, any land to which this Order applies unless-

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

(2) Nothing in this article applies to a person who –

- (a) is registered as blind in Northern Ireland in a register maintained by, or on behalf of, a health and social services trust;
- (b) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
- (c) is deaf, in respect of a dog trained by Hearing Dogs for Deaf People (registered charity number 293358) and upon which he relies for assistance; or
- (d) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.

(3) For the purpose 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) each of the following is a “prescribed charity” –
 - (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454)
 - (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281)
 - (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)

Penalty

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

Dated this the 1st day of March 2015

**The Common Seal of
Coleraine Borough Council
Affixed hereto in the presence of:-**

Mayor

**Kieran Doherty
Town Clerk & Chief Executive**

Schedule

1. Dogs are to be excluded **at all times** from the following land within the Borough of Coleraine:

- any of the play parks, managed playing fields, tennis courts, bowling greens, MUGA pitches and golf courses listed below
- any new or additional play parks, managed playing fields, tennis courts, bowling greens, MUGA pitches and golf courses owned or maintained by Coleraine Borough Council
- bathing areas, listed below
- Any war memorial area
- public spaces and open areas listed below

Articlave

All year	Play area at Woodend Park
All year	Football pitches at Woodend Park
All year	MUGA* pitch at Woodend Park

Castlerock

All year	Play area at Peter Thompson Hall, Castlewalk Road
All year	Tennis courts at Peter Thompson Hall, Castlewalk Road
All year	Football pitch at Peter Thompson Hall, Castlewalk Road
All year	Bowling green at Peter Thompson Hall, Castlewalk Road
1 st June – 15 th September	Castlerock Beach from main vehicular entrance west (left) to Black Stone Cottage

Coleraine

<u>BALLYSALLY AREA</u>	
All year	Play area at Ballysally – Daneshill Road
All year	Play area at Elms Park
All year	Football pitches at Elms Park
All year	MUGA* pitch at Elms Park
<u>HARPURS HILL AREA</u>	
All year	Play area at Tullyarton Road

<u>HEIGHTS AREA</u>	
All year	Play area at Kylemore Road
All year	Football pitch at Rope Walk
<u>MILLBURN AREA</u>	
All year	Play area at Millburn – Linden Avenue
All year	MUGA* pitch at Linden Avenue
<u>WINDYHALL AREA</u>	
All year	Play area at Tullans Park
All year	Football pitches at Tullans Park
All year	MUGA* pitch at Tullans Park
<u>ANDERSON PARK AREA</u>	
All year	Play area in Anderson Park
All year	Tennis Courts
<u>RUGBY AVENUE</u>	
All year	Play area at Rugby Avenue
All year	Playing pitches and all weather pitches at Rugby Avenue
All year	Rugby, Football and Cricket Grounds
<u>THE CRESCENT</u>	
All year	Lined/marked playing fields and all weather pitches at the Crescent
<u>TOWN</u>	
All year	Bowling green, Brook Street, Coleraine
All year	Bowling green, Lodge Road, Coleraine

MUGA* = Multi Use Games Area

Downhill

1 st June – 15 th September	Downhill Beach from row of white wooden posts westward (left) at entrance to the old pill box towards Benone (access behind Blue Flag area).
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Garvagh

All year	Play area at Lyttlesdale
All year	Play area at Glenullin
All year	Play area at Boleran/Mayboy Road
All year	Pitches at Clyde Park behind Jim Watts Sports Centre
All year	Play area at Mettican Road
All year	MUGA* pitch at Bridge Street (rear of car park)

Kilrea

All year	Play area at Craiglea Gardens
All year	Football pitch at Craiglea Gardens
All year	Play area at Larchfield Gardens

Macosquin

All year	Play area at Ramsey Park
All year	Playing field at Farranlester
All year	MUGA* pitch at Ramsey Park

Portballintrae

All year	Play park at Bayhead Road
All year	Tennis courts at Lisanduff Avenue
1 st June – 15 th September	Salmon Rock Beach (beach at car park)

Portrush

All year	Ramore Head Recreation Grounds including tennis court and enclosed play area
All year	Bowling green Ramore Head Recreation Grounds, Portrush
All year	Antrim Gardens (Secret Garden), Portrush
All year	Play area at Lansdowne car park
All year	Play area at Metropole (Dunluce Centre)
All year	Play area at Dhu Varren Estate
All year	Play area and football field at Glenmanus
All year	Play area at Arcadia
All year	Football pitch at Parker Avenue
All year	Play area at Gateside Road/Islandmore Road
All year	Ballyreagh Golf Course
1 st June – 15 th September	West Strand Beach from steps at Castle Erin to Harbour Wall at South Pier
1 st June – 15 th September	East Strand Beach from the Arcadia eastwards (right) to the stream
1 st June – 15 th September	Entire small beach at the Arcadia
1 st June – 15 th September	Whiterocks Beach from the access to beach east (right) towards Dunluce Castle

Portstewart

All year	Play area at Flowerfield
All year	Play area at Crescent
All year	Play area at Juniper Hill Caravan Park and Carrick Dhu Caravan Park
All year	Play area, football pitch and tennis courts at The Warren, Old Coach Road
All year	Bowling green, The Warren, Old Coach Road

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The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No. 114)

The Dogs on Leads (Coleraine Borough Council) Order 2014

Coleraine Borough Council hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order comes into force on **1st day of March 2015**
2. This Order applies to the land specified in the schedule

Offence

3. (1) Any person in charge of a dog is guilty of an offence if at any time on any land which this Order applies he does not keep the dog on a lead, unless
(a) the person has 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 purpose 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

Penalty

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

Dated this the 1st day of March 2015

**The Common Seal of
Coleraine Borough Council
Affixed hereto in the presence of:-**

Mayor

**Kieran Doherty
Town Clerk & Chief Executive**

Schedule

1. Dogs are required to be kept on leads in the areas listed below:

- All cycle/shared use paths listed below
- Any new cycle/shared use paths within the Borough of Coleraine
- All Council owned cemeteries and burial grounds within the Borough of Coleraine
- All Council owned caravan parks namely Carrickdhu and Juniper Hill
- Within all designated areas below:

Articlave

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Castlerock

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
All year	The cliff path at the Moors lands, Castlerock from the road at Tunnel Brae westward to the ravine and lands owned by the National Trust.

Coleraine

All year	Christie Park footpath/cycle lane
All year	Somerset/Riverside Park footpath/cycle lane
All year	Cemetery at Shellbridge
All year	Anderson Park including Rose Gardens and section at Circular Road, Coleraine.
All year	Cycle paths/shared use path

Downhill

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Garvagh

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Kilrea

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Macosquin

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Portballintrae

All year	Cycle paths/shared use path
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Portrush

All year	Antrim Gardens Upper, Portrush
All year	Coastal path along Ballyreagh Golf Course
All year	Cemetery at Ballywillin.
All year	Cycle paths/shared use path

Portstewart

All year	All cemeteries in the area
All year	Convent Walk from Portnahapple, Berne Road to Crescent
All year	Juniper Hill Caravan Park and Carrick Dhu Caravan Park
All year	Paths to Herring Pond
All year	Harbour Hill, Portstewart
All year	Cycle paths/shared use path/shared use path

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The Dogs on Leads by Direction (Coleraine Borough Council) Order 2014

Coleraine Borough Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1.** This Order comes into force on **1st day of March 2015**
- 2.** This Order applies to the land specified in the schedule
- 3.** In this Order “an authorised officer of a district council” means an employee of the district council who is authorised in writing by the district council for the purpose of giving directions under this Order.

Offence

4. – (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if at any time on any land to which this Order applies he does not comply with a direction given to him by an authorized officer of Coleraine Borough Council to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless

- (a) he 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 authorized officer of the Council 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.

Dated this the 1st day of March 2015

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Mayor

**Kieran Doherty
Town Clerk & Chief Executive**

Schedule

1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, this Order applies to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is -

- (i) open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side), and,
- (ii) to which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
- (iii) all land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead
- (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.

2. Excepted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

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Castlerock

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Coleraine

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Downhill

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 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
 - (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
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Garvagh

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 - (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.
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Kilrea

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 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
 - (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
 - (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Macosquin

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 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)

- (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
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2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portballintrae

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 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
 - (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
 - (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portrush

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 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
 - (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
 - (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portstewart

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 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
 - (iii) All land designated in a Dog Control Order which requires a dog to be kept on a lead.
 - (iv) A dog will not be considered to be on a lead unless the lead is held by a person capable of restraining a dog.
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

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The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No. 114)

The Fouling of Land by Dogs (Coleraine Borough Council) Order 2014

Coleraine Borough Council hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order comes into force on **1st day of March 2015**
2. This Order applies to the land specified in the schedule

Offence

3. (1) If a dog defecates at any time on land to which this Order applies and a person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless –

- (a) he has 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) Nothing in this article applies to a person who –

- (a) is registered as blind in Northern Ireland in a register maintained by, or on behalf of, a health and social services trust;
- (b) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or
- (c) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.

(3) 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) placing the faeces in a receptacle on the land which is provided for the purpose, or for the disposal of waste, shall be a sufficient removal from the land;

(c) being unaware of the defecation (whether by reason of not being in the vicinity or otherwise), or not having a device for or other suitable means of removing the faeces shall not be a reasonable excuse for failing to remove the faeces;

(d) each of the following is a “prescribed charity”-

- (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454)
- (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281)
- (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)

Penalty

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

Dated this the 1st day of March 2015

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Affixed hereto in the presence of:-**

Mayor

**Kieran Doherty
Town Clerk & Chief Executive**

Schedule

1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, this Order applies to all land within the Coleraine Borough Council area which is -

- (i) open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side), and,
- (ii) to which the public have access (with or without payment)

2. Excepted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purposes of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Articlave

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| <p>1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)(ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment) <p>2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).</p> |
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Castlerock

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Downhill

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Garvagh

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Kilrea

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Macosquin

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –

- (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portballintrae

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portrush

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Portstewart

1. Subject to an exception in paragraph 2 below, this Order applied to all land within the Borough of Coleraine which is –
 - (i) Open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to air on at least one side)
 - (ii) To which the public are entitled or permitted to enter (with or without payment)
2. Exempted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purpose of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No. 114)

The Fouling of Land by Dogs (Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council) Order 2018

Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council hereby makes the following Order:

- 1. This Order comes into force on 1st November 2018**
- 2. This Order applies to the land specified in the schedule**

Offence

3. (1) If a dog defecates at any time on land to which this Order applies and a person who is in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land forthwith, that person shall be guilty of an offence unless –

- (a) he has 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) Nothing in this article applies to a person who –

- (a) is registered as blind in Northern Ireland in a register maintained by, or on behalf of, a health and social services trust;**
- (b) is registered as a blind person in a register compiled under section 29 of the National Assistance Act 1948; or**
- (c) has a disability which affects his mobility, manual dexterity, physical co-ordination or ability to lift, carry or otherwise move everyday objects, in respect of a dog trained by a prescribed charity and upon which he relies for assistance.**

(3) 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) placing the faeces in a receptacle on the land which is provided for the purpose, or for the disposal of waste, shall be a sufficient removal from the land;

(c) being unaware of the defecation (whether by reason of not being in the vicinity or otherwise), or not having a device for or other suitable means of removing the faeces shall not be a reasonable excuse for failing to remove the faeces;

(d) each of the following is a “prescribed charity”-

- (i) Dogs for the Disabled (registered charity number 700454)**
- (ii) Support Dogs (registered charity number 1088281)**
- (iii) Canine Partners for Independence (registered charity number 803680)**

Penalty

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

Dated this 25th day of September 2018

**The Common Seal of Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council
Affixed hereto in the presence of:-**



Chief Executive

Schedule

1. Subject to the exemption in paragraph 2 below, this Order applies to all land within the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area which is -

- (i) open to the air (which includes land that is covered but open to the air on at least one side), and,
- (ii) to which the public have access (with or without payment)

2. Excepted from the description in paragraph (1) above is land held by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the purposes of any of its functions under the Forestry Act (Northern Ireland) 2010 (2010 c. 10 (NI)).

The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties, etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2021 (S.R 2012 No 114)

The Dogs On Leads (Ballintoy to Whitepark Bay) Order (2023)

Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council makes the following Order –

Commencement

1. This Order comes into operation on 1st April 2024

Application

2. This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.

Offence

3. (1) Any person in charge of a dog is guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies he does not keep the dog on a lead unless-
 - (a) The person has a reasonable excuse for doing so; or
 - (b) The owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the person doing so.

(2) Nothing in this Article applies to a person with a disability (within the meaning of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995) in respect of a dog kept or used by the person wholly or mainly for the purpose of assisting the person to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

(3) For the purposes of this article a person who habitually has a dog in their 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.

Penalty

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

(Date)

(Attestation clause)

Schedule

Lands from the point at which Whitepark Bay meets Ballintoy Public Right of Way until the final gate leading to Ballintoy Harbour which is shown edged red on the plan attached.