

QUESTIONS TO THE EXTRAORDINARY EXECUTIVE 22 MARCH 2022

MEMBER QUESTION RECEIVED AFTER DESPATCH OF THE AGENDA

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Gary Cowan has asked the Executive Member for Neighbourhood and Communities the following question:

Question

I welcome a 'Public Space Protection Order' (PSPO) which it would appear is designed to cover 'all land owned, maintained or managed by the Council and any other place to which the public has access as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission'. The Borough has suffered significant nuisance from vehicles and people engaged in car cruising activities not just in Council owned properties such as the Carnival Pool Car Park etc, as their activities include many other areas such as the new Observer Way in Arborfield and Hogwood Industrial Park car park in Finchampstead and their surrounding areas.

Recorded examples include drag racing on the public highway, their roundabouts, local residential roads accompanied by loud music from the vehicles, noise and pollution. Many residents in the vicinity of areas such as these also have suffered the same problems where lives are at risk and nuisance of noise and pollution destroy their rights to peace and tranquillity.

My question is what actions are being taken to protect them?