



Response Date: 18/12/2025

2025/1257 - Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs), Anti-Social Behaviour Injunctions (ASBIs), and Dispersal Orders

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

We are interested in understanding how Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs), Anti-Social Behaviour Injunctions (ASBIs), and Dispersal Orders (all powers set out in the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014) have been used by your force in relation to protest-related activity or public demonstrations between the dates of 1 October 2024 and 31 October 2025. Specifically, please provide the following information, if available, regarding such orders:

- 1. The number of ASBIs and Dispersal Orders issued for or enforced against protest-related or public demonstration activities from 1 October 2024 to 31 October 2025.**
- 2. The number of PSPOs imposed or breached in respect of protest-related or public demonstration activities between 1 October 2024 and 31 October 2025.**
- 3. The specific behaviours that justified issuing the PSPOs, ASBIs, and Dispersal Orders referred to in Q1 and Q2.**
- 4. The prohibitions and/or requirements that were imposed by the PSPOs, ASBIs, and Dispersal Orders referred to in Q1 and Q2.**

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. We are unable to conduct a search to ascertain how many Anti-Social Behaviour Injunctions and Dispersal Orders have been authorised. There is no tool or search facility to enable us to do so. The only way to find out would be to e-mail every Inspector or above to see if they have authorised any, and have kept a record. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

PSPO are applied for through the council, the police enforce them. You may wish to direct this part of your request to the councils.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 17/12/2025

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