



Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

2014 CHAPTER 12

PART 4

COMMUNITY PROTECTION

CHAPTER 2

PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDERS [F1 AND EXPEDITED ORDERS]

Validity of orders

66 Challenging the validity of orders

- (1) An interested person may apply to the High Court to question the validity of—
- (a) a public spaces protection order [F1 or an expedited order], or
 - (b) a variation of a public spaces protection order [F1 or an expedited order].

“Interested person” means an individual who lives in the restricted area or who regularly works in or visits that area.

- (2) The grounds on which an application under this section may be made are—
- (a) that the local authority did not have power to make the order or variation, or to include particular prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order (or by the order as varied);
 - (b) that a requirement under this Chapter was not complied with in relation to the order or variation.
- (3) An application under this section must be made within the period of 6 weeks beginning with the date on which the order or variation is made.

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- (4) On an application under this section the High Court may by order suspend the operation of the order or variation, or any of the prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order (or by the order as varied), until the final determination of the proceedings.
- (5) If on an application under this section the High Court is satisfied that—
- (a) the local authority did not have power to make the order or variation, or to include particular prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order (or by the order as varied), or
 - (b) the interests of the applicant have been substantially prejudiced by a failure to comply with a requirement under this Chapter,
- the Court may quash the order or variation, or any of the prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order (or by the order as varied).
- (6) A public spaces protection order [^{F2}or an expedited order], or any of the prohibitions or requirements imposed by the order (or by the order as varied), may be suspended under subsection (4) or quashed under subsection (5)—
- (a) generally, or
 - (b) so far as necessary for the protection of the interests of the applicant.
- (7) An interested person may not challenge the validity of a public spaces protection order [^{F3}or an expedited order], or of a variation of [^{F4}such an] order, in any legal proceedings (either before or after it is made) except—
- (a) under this section, or
 - (b) under subsection (3) of section 67 (where the interested person is charged with an offence under that section).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 66(1) inserted (28.6.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 208(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11\(2\)](#); S.I. 2022/520, reg. 5(j)
- F2** Words in s. 66(6) inserted (28.6.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 208(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11\(2\)](#); S.I. 2022/520, reg. 5(j)
- F3** Words in s. 66(7) inserted (28.6.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 208(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11\(3\)\(a\)](#); S.I. 2022/520, reg. 5(j)
- F4** Words in s. 66(7) substituted (28.6.2022) by [Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022 \(c. 32\)](#), s. 208(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11\(3\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2022/520, reg. 5(j)
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Commencement Information

- I1** S. 66 in force at 20.10.2014 by S.I. 2014/2590, [art. 3\(c\)](#)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 102(2)(ba) inserted by [2022 c. 32 Sch. 11 para. 35\(2\)\(a\)](#)