

The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005

The Dog Control Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc.) Regulations 2006

The Dogs on Leads by Direction (Stafford Borough Council) Order 2010

Commencement and title.

- 1 This Order comes into force on the 8th November 2010.
- 2 This Order applies to the land specified in the Schedule.
- 3 In this Order "an authorised officer of the Authority" means an employee of the Authority who is authorised in writing by the Authority for the purposes of giving directions under this Order.
- 4 This Order shall be cited as 'The Dogs on Leads by Direction (Stafford Borough Council) Order 2010'.

Offence

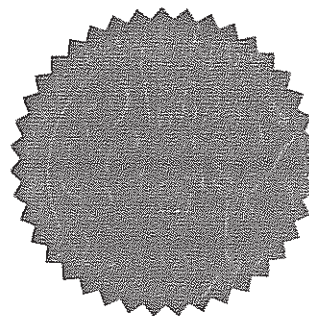
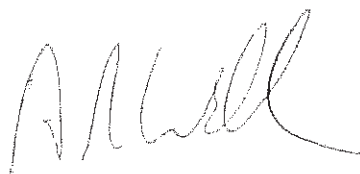
- 5 (1) A person in charge of a dog shall be guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies, he does not comply with a direction given him by an authorised officer of the Authority to put and keep the dog on a lead, unless –
 - (c) He has a reasonable excuse for failing to do so; or
 - (d) 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.
 - (b) An authorised officer of the Authority 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

- 6 A person who is guilty of an offence under article 5 shall be liable on summary of conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Date 21st October 2010

The Common Seal of STAFFORD BOROUGH
COUNCIL was hereto affixed in the presence
of:



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Authorised Signatory
Head of Law and Administration

Schedule

Land Specified by Description

This order applies to: Any Public Open Space in the Borough not covered by the
Dogs on Lead Order.