

Cambridge City Council

Record of Cabinet Member Decision

Public Space Protection Order Babraham Park and Ride Site.

Decision of: Councillor Todd-Jones Cabinet Member for Safety, Wellbeing and Tackling Homelessness

Reference:

Date of decision: 24/04/2026

Date Published on website: 24/04/2026

Decision Type: Non-Key

Matter for Decision:

To approve the implementation of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) covering the shared SCDC/CCC jurisdiction at the Babraham Park and Ride Site.

Why the Decision had to be made (and any alternative options):

1. There have been persistent reports of motorists behaving in an inconsiderate and inappropriate manner when using this site. This includes:
 - a) Driving a motor vehicle at excessive speeds
 - b) Driving a motor vehicle causing unnecessary and/or repeated acceleration and deceleration
 - c) Performing stunts in or on a motor vehicle
 - d) Repeatedly or continuously revving the engine of a motor vehicle unnecessarily while the vehicle is stationary
 - e) Unnecessarily sounding the horns
 - f) Playing amplified music in or powered by a vehicle which can be heard at the boundary of the PSPO, or which is likely to cause a nuisance to others
 - g) Vehicle racing
 - h) Using threatening/abusive/intimidating language or behaviour to other users of the park & ride.

These activities not only represent a significant nuisance to those using the site and/or others residing close by but also represents a considerable safety risk to those using

the site, including those causing the disturbance. Appendix B includes details of the incidents reported by both Councils.

The Cabinet Member's decision:

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Reason for the decision:

There is also considerable public support for the PSPO. A public joint consultation between SCDC and CCC was undertaken between the 27th February and the 31st of March 2026, the results of which are discussed in section 7.

Scrutiny Consideration: The Chair and Spokesperson of the Services, Climate and Communities Overview Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Report: Report to Cllr Mike Todd- Jones

Conflict of interest: None.

Comments: None