Appendix A

PSPO Anti-Social Behaviour Spelthorne Borough Council

Prohibited behaviours

Spelthorne Borough Council is considering the implementation of a Public Space Protection Order under Section 59 Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

The list below outlines the prohibited behaviours that are proposed as part of the PSPO.

- A. An authorised person may request a person to dismount if they are e-cycling, cycling, skateboarding, hover-boarding, e-scootering or using similar devices on the borough where they reasonably suspect that the person is riding in a malicious and/or dangerous manner as to cause harassment, alarm or distress to any person within the borough of Spelthorne.
- B. A person is prohibited from wearing face coverings in an attempt to conceal their identity to cause harassment, alarm or distress to any person; this includes scarves, balaclavas and masks. This would not include face covering worn in respect of religious or cultural beliefs/medical reasons.
- C. In the borough of Spelthorne a person commits an offence if without reasonable excuse he or she does any of the following:
- 1) Possesses a catapult, slingshot or similar item capable of launching a missile that could cause harm or damage to a person, animal or property. This does not preclude the powers of the police with regard to an item recognised in law as an offensive weapon;
- 2) Fails to surrender any catapult, slingshot or similar item capable of launching a projectile in their possession when asked to do so by an authorised person.
- 3) Possesses stones, ball bearings, pellets or similar item(s) capable of being launched as a projectile, by a catapult, slingshot or similar item or by manual force, that could cause harm or damage to a person, animal or property.
- 4) Fails to surrender any stones, ball bearings, pellets or similar item(s) capable of being launched as a missile by a catapult,

slingshot or similar item when asked to do so by an authorised person.

This does not include lawful possession of such items for legitimate uses such as fishing.

The PSPO means that a person will commit an offence if they fail to comply with a request by an authorised officer to cease any of the controlled behaviours within the specified area. Breach of the PSPO could result in either a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued, or prosecution.