

## NORTH DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL

### ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014

#### PART 4, SECTION 59

#### DRAFT PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER 2024

In exercise of the power under section 59 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (the Act), being satisfied that the conditions set out in section 59 of the Act have been met, the North Devon District Council (NDDC) hereby makes a Public Spaces Protection Order in relation to the whole of the area administered by North Devon District Council and additionally to Restricted Areas as outlined in red on the location plans. Enforcement of this Order is through persons authorised by North Devon District Council under the above Act.

The terms of the order are as follows:

**In this Order the following definition applies “an authorised person for enforcement purposes is an employee, partnership agency or contractor of North Devon Council who is authorised in writing by North Devon Council for the purposes of giving directions under the order”.**

- (1) If a dog defecates at any time in any area of land to which the public have access, the person in charge of the dog shall remove the faeces immediately
- (2) Where an authorised person is satisfied that a dog is beyond control in a public area, being at large and not on a lead, and/or poses a nuisance or significant threat to people or other animals, the person in charge of the dog shall place the dog on a lead of 2.0m or less when directed by the authorised person
- (3) No person shall walk or exercise more than six dogs at any time, and no more than three shall be walked or exercised off-lead or on an extended lead (longer than 2m) at any time
- (4) No person shall walk or exercise their dogs ‘off lead’ in any cemetery, churchyard or graveyard, ornamental or formal gardens open to the public, nor in any council owned car parks or allotments,
- (5) No person shall permit their dog to be present on any designated sports pitch or enclosed children’s play area
- (6) Between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> September, no person shall permit their dog to be present on Croyde Bay, the restricted area being as shown in Figure 2

- (7) Between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> September, no person shall be walk or exercise their dog otherwise than on a lead in the dunes behind Croyde Bay, the restricted area being shown in Figure 2
- (8) Between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> September, no person shall permit their dog to be present on Combe Martin Beach, the restricted area being shown in Figure 3
- (9) No person, shall walk or exercise their dog other than in accordance with the requirements of a temporary restriction which is clearly marked and adequately notified.

A person who fails without reasonable excuse to comply with any of the above provisions shall be liable to a fixed penalty of £100, or on summary conviction, to a fine up to level 3 on the standard scale

These provisions shall not apply to a person who has an assistance registered with a member organization of Assistance Dogs UK

This Order shall come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 and shall remain in place for a period of 3 years

Dated this

THE COMMON SEAL of NORTH DEVON  
DISTRICT COUNCIL was hereunto fixed  
In the presence of:



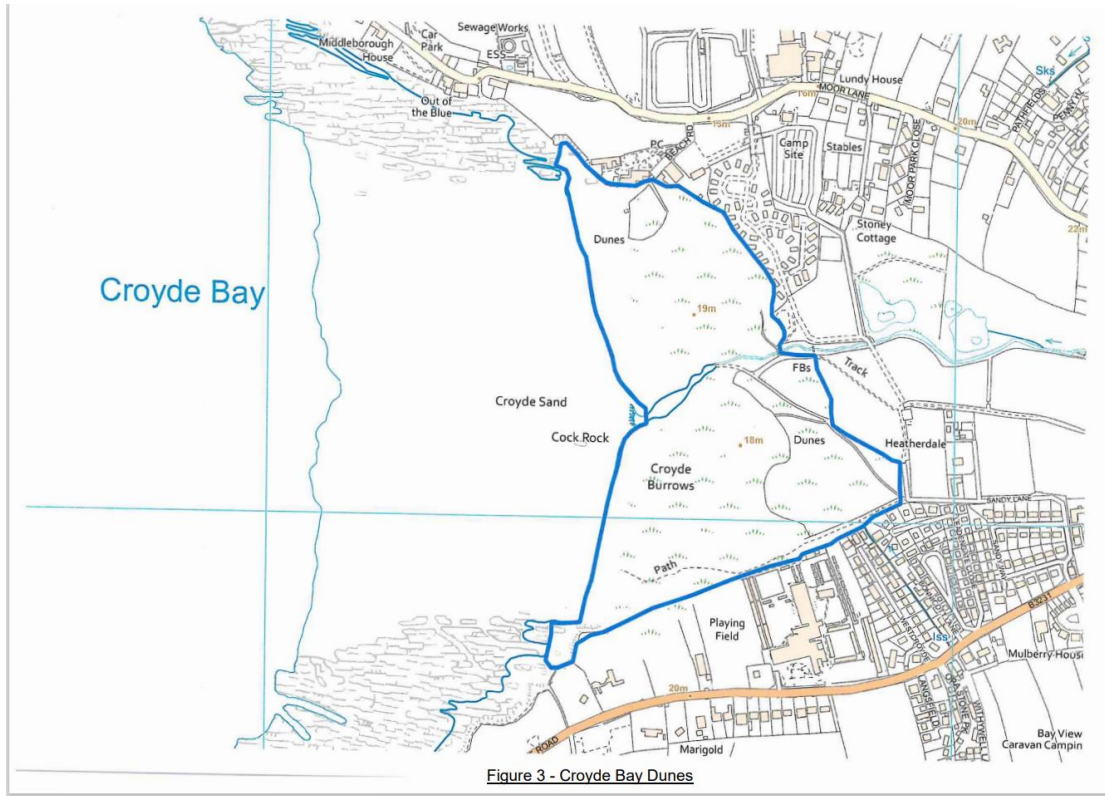


Figure 3 - Croyde Bay Dunes

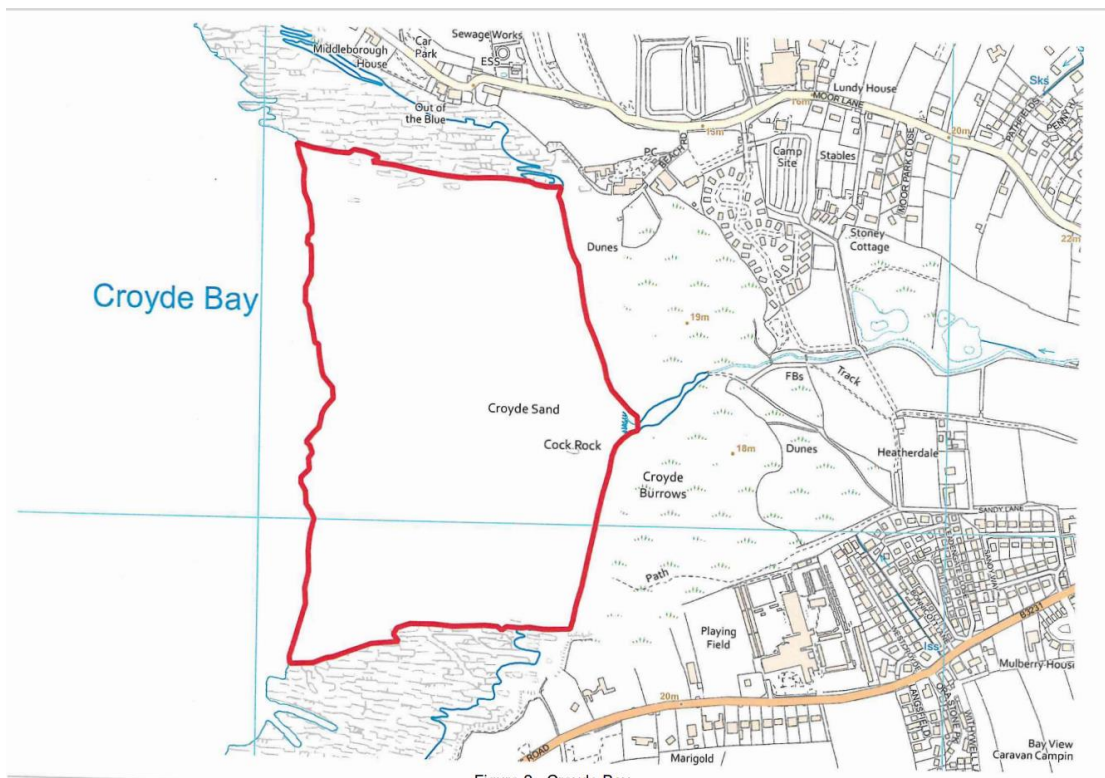


Figure 2 - Croyde Bay