

Back Bar Lane, Astley Bridge

Public Spaces Protection Order (2026)

Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act (2014)

Borough Council of Bolton

The Borough Council of Bolton in exercise of its powers under Sections 59, 64 and 72 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Police Act 2014 (“the Act”) hereby make the following Order:

1. This Order shall come into operation on the 21st October 2026 and shall have effect for three years thereafter, unless extended by further Orders under the Council’s statutory powers.

2. This Order relates to Back Bar Lane across the rear of 31 to 37 Westminster Road and the rear of 44 to 50 Bar Lane from its junction with Durban Road to its junction with Back Hawarden Street over its full width and approximate length of 23 metres (the Restricted Area) as specified on the Order Plan.

3. Except as provided in Article 4 of this Order, no person shall use the public right of way over the Restricted Area at any time. Barriers may be installed, operated, and maintained to enforce the restriction over the Restricted Area.

4. The restriction in Article 3 of this Order shall not apply to any registered owner of, or person who lives or works in, land or premises adjoining the Restricted Area, or to any police, ambulance or fire service personnel, acting in pursuance of statutory powers or duties or to any statutory

undertaker, gas, electricity, water or communications provider requiring access to their apparatus situated in the Restricted Area, or persons and/or vehicles required, where necessary, in connection with maintenance work or other function of the Council.

5. The Council is satisfied that the conditions set out in Sections 59, 64 and 72 of the Act of 2014 have been satisfied and that it is in all the circumstances reasonable to make this Order for the purposes of combatting, within the Restricted Area, crime and anti-social behaviour including fly tipping or the illegal dumping of waste; dog fouling; and on-street substance misuse which have had a detrimental effect on the quality of life of those in the locality. The effect or likely effect of this is of a persistent or continuing nature such as to make this unreasonable and justifies the restrictions imposed by this Order.

6. A person found in breach of this Order shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

7. If any interested person desires to question the validity of this Order on the grounds that the Council has no power to make it or that any requirement of the Act has not been complied with in relation to this Order, the interested person may apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date on which this Order is made.

8. The alternative route is as follows: north along Back Hawarden Street (to the side of 50 Bar Lane); west along Bar Lane (to the front of 50 to 44); south along Durban Road (to the side of 44 Bar Lane).

The Common Seal of the

Borough Council of

Bolton was hereto affixed

on the 20th October 2026

