

The Ruins Lane, Bradshaw; Back Viola Street, Astley Bridge; & Mill Croft, Halliwell

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, 60, 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

Public footpath ‘TBS046’ situated:

- To the rear of 1 to 11 Old Nursery Fold and to the side of 6 Hawthorn Bank and to the rear of the land and buildings at the rear of Hawthorn Bank over its full width and approximate length of 70 metres (marked ‘1’);
- To the side of 11 Old Nursery Fold and to the rear of 5 Spring Gardens over its full width and approximate length of 32 metres (marked ‘2’);
- To the side of 22 Atherfield and the rear of 4 Spring Gardens over its full width and approximate length of 34 metres (marked ‘3’);
- To the rear of 10 to 22 Atherfield and the rear of 20 to 33 Patterdale Road over its full width and approximate length of 34 metres (marked ‘4’)

as specified on the Order Plan ‘F’ (the Restricted Area / Gated Route).

The alley ways situated:

- To the rear of 437 to 425 and 421 Blackburn Road (Back Blackburn Road West) over its full width and approximate length of 62 metres (marked ‘1’);

- To the rear of 423 and 425 Blackburn Road (Back Kelly Row) over its full width and approximate length of 13 metres (marked '2');
- To the rear of 5 to 1 Viola Street and between 415/417 and 421 Blackburn Road (Back Viola Street) over its full width and approximate length of 30 metres (marked '3');

as specified on the Order Plan 'G' (the Restricted Area / Gated Route).

The alley way situated:

- To the rear of 14 to 20 and 23 and 25 Mill Croft over its full width and approximate length of 54 metres (marked '1')

as specified on the Order Plan 'H' (the Restricted Area / Gated Route).

3. Except as provided in Article 4 of this Order, no person shall use the public rights 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 Areas, 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 Areas, 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 expedient to make this Order for the purposes of combatting, within the Restricted Area, crime and anti-social behaviour which has 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.

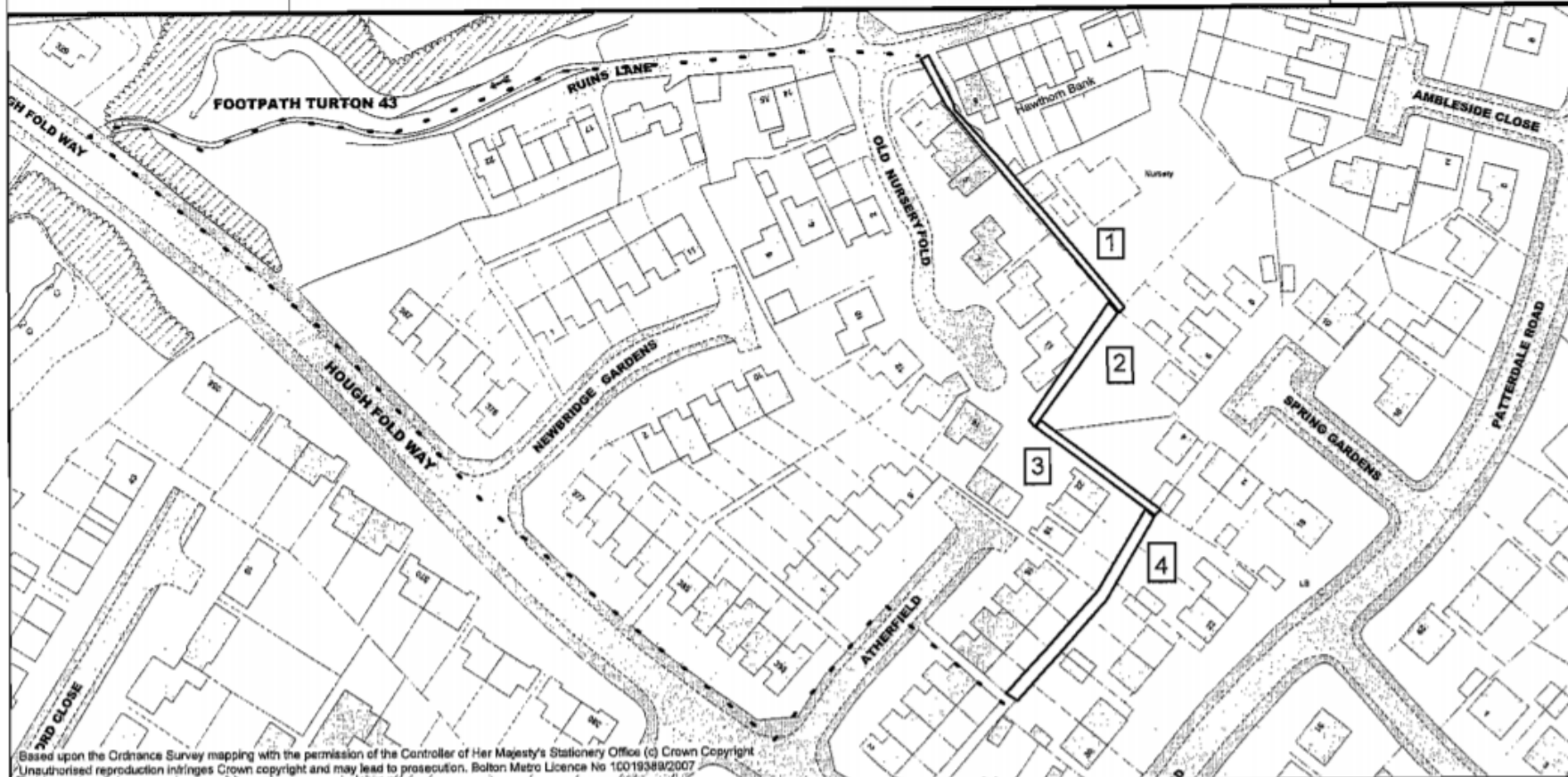
7. If any interested person desires to question the validity of this Order on the grounds that the Council has no power to make it or that any requirement of the Act has not been complied with in relation to this Order, he or she may apply to the High Court within six weeks from the date on which this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

8. The alternative route for pedestrians and vehicular traffic in respect of the Restricted Area at Ruins Lane is along the highway to the side of 1 Old Nursery Fold (Ruins Lane); to the front of 14-17 Ruins Lane; Public Footpath No. 43 Turton, Hough Fold Way; to the front of 367-393 Hough Fold Way; to the side of 393 Hough Fold Way (Atherfield); to the front of 1-3 Atherfield; across Atherfield and between 8-10 Atherfield; to the rear of 30 Patterdale Road as shown by the dotted line on Order Plan 'F'. The alternative route for pedestrians and vehicular traffic in respect of the Restricted Area at Back Viola Street is along the highway to the side of 5 Viola Street; to the front of 5-1 Viola Street; to the side of 415/417 Blackburn Road; to the front of 415-437 Blackburn Road; and to the side of 437 Blackburn Road as shown by the dotted line on Order Plan 'G'. There is no alternative route for pedestrians or vehicular traffic in respect of the Restricted Area at Mill Croft.

The Common Seal of the
Borough Council of

Bolton was hereto affixed
on the 20th October 2026

RUINS LANE BOLTON - ALLEYGATING PROPOSAL



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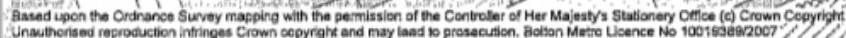
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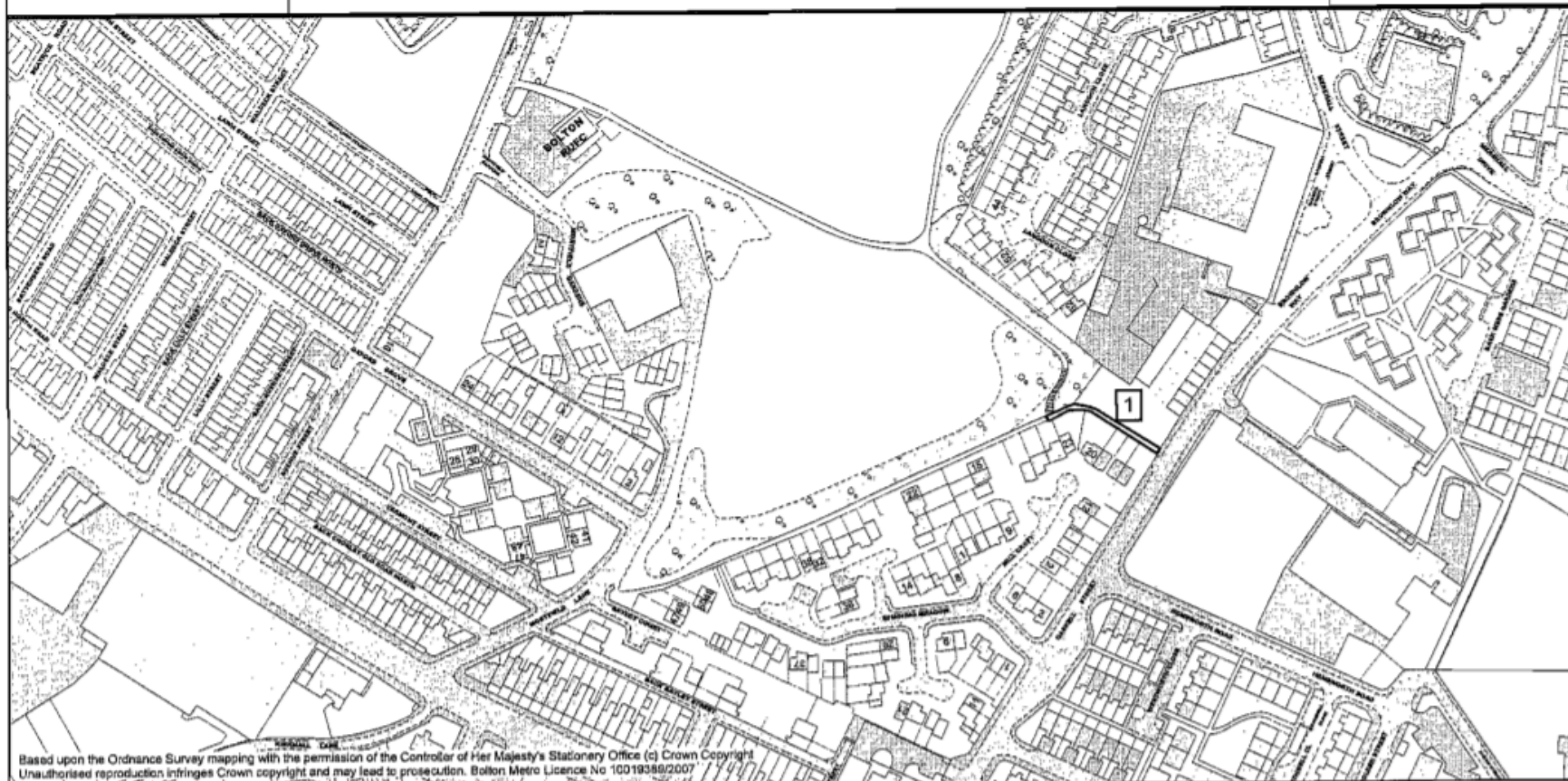
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