

**From:** Andrew Mackie  
**Sent:** 15 October 2015 15:09  
**To:** THOMAS Jeremy J.  
**Subject:** Urgent: Public Space Protection Order  
**Importance:** High

Dear Mr Thomas,

I have been asked to contact you in advance of the consideration by the City Council of the Public Spaces Protection Order at Committee tonight.

Unfortunately, the University only became aware that the proposed area of the PSPO would cover University owned and managed land on receipt of an email from Councillor Fooks at the beginning of this week.

While we note that the Act allows the PSPO to cover land to which the public has access, the University and Colleges are responsible for the safe management of their own spaces, which includes patrols by the University Security Services; monitoring by the University's Proctors; and the ability to close the spaces to the public if we consider it necessary to do so. We consider our management of these spaces historically to have worked well, without giving rise to the antisocial behaviour your PSPO is intended to address. We should be grateful if the Committee could be asked to exclude from the ambit of the Order University owned space to which the public has access.

Yours,  
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