

Llanelli Town Centre	Alcohol and drug-related PSPO consultation
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Summary of evidence: alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour

This one-page summary sets out the main evidence supporting consultation on the renewal of the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) relating to alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour in Llanelli Town Centre.

428	April 2024 to March 2026	130
alcohol and drug-related crimes and incidents recorded within the PSPO area	two-year evidence period reviewed	alcohol confiscations within the PSPO area

The review identified 257 alcohol-related incidents and crimes and 171 drug-related incidents and crimes within public spaces covered by the existing PSPO, equating to an average of almost 18 incidents per month.

What the evidence shows

Evidence provided by Dyfed Powys Police identifies a continued pattern of alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour, crime and welfare concerns within Llanelli Town Centre. Activity has been recorded throughout the current PSPO area and demonstrates ongoing issues affecting public spaces used by residents, visitors and businesses.

- A total of 428 alcohol and drug-related crimes and incidents were recorded within the current PSPO boundary during the review period, including anti-social behaviour, public safety incidents, crime, overdoses and arrests for drunk and disorderly behaviour.
- Police data shows recurring reports of public intoxication, street drinking, disorder, aggressive behaviour, individuals causing obstruction, public urination, drug use and concerns for vulnerable individuals in public spaces.
- Alcohol-related activity is particularly concentrated in a few town centre locations, including Murray Street, Station Road and Stepney Street, which together account for a significant proportion of recorded incidents. Drug-related activity is also concentrated around Murray Street, Station Road, Stepney Street, Church Street and Granby Close.
- Public safety and welfare concerns form a substantial part of demand, including reports of individuals unconscious, incapacitated, intoxicated in roadways, and members of the public finding discarded drug paraphernalia.
- Police officers recorded 130 alcohol confiscations within the PSPO area during the review period, averaging more than five confiscations each month. More than half of all confiscations occurred within the Sunken Gardens area.
- The evidence suggests that the recorded incidents may understate the true level of alcohol and drug-related disorder, as not all incidents are reported to police, and not all offending can be directly linked to alcohol or drug use.

Why a PSPO is being considered

The proposed renewal of the PSPO would continue to provide powers to address persistent alcohol and drug-related anti-social behaviour, support interventions where public drinking and associated disorder are causing problems and help protect the safe and enjoyable use of Llanelli Town Centre for residents, visitors and businesses.