

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL
MANAGEMENT OF NOTTINGHAM CITY CENTRE PUBLIC SPACES
PROTECTION ORDER 2026 (VARIATION)

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014

THIS ORDER is made by Nottingham City Council ('the Council') in exercise of its powers under section 61 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ('The Act'), the Council hereby makes the following Order:-

1. Citation and Commencement

THIS ORDER may be cited as the Management of Nottingham City Centre Public Spaces Protection Order (Variation) 2026 and shall come into force on 2026

2. Variation to Nottingham City Council Public Spaces Protection Order 2026

The Council hereby varies the Management of Nottingham City Council Public Spaces Protection Order 2026 ('the Original Order') as follows:

2.1 Paragraph 2 of the Original Order is hereby amended by the insertion of the following definition:

A definition of 'Face Covering' to be inserted in Paragraph 2 between 'Entertainment' and 'Free' to state:

"Face Covering - means any garment or material worn over the face in an attempt to hide or conceal/partially conceal a person's identity, this includes but is not limited to balaclavas, scarves, snoods, masks or other such items to cover the head and face

With the aim of causing intimidation, harassment, alarm or distress, committing crime or anti-social behaviour

But for the sake of clarity Face Covering does not include anything worn for religious, health or work reasons"

2.2 Addition of a new paragraph 5 - restriction on the wearing face coverings

The following paragraph shall be inserted into the Original Order:-

5. No person ("P") shall without reasonable excuse, fail to remove a face covering when asked to do so by an Authorised Person

5.1 Subject to Article 5.2 of this Order, where an Authorised Person reasonably believes that a face covering is being worn to conceal or partially conceal the identity of P for the purpose of causing intimidation, harassment, alarm or distress, committing crime or anti-social behaviour, the Authorised Person may require P to remove the face covering

5.2 The Authorised Person who imposes a requirement under Article 5.1 of this Order must

5.2.1 Explain to P the nature of the breach of Article 5 of this Order, and

5.2.2 tell P that failing without reasonable excuse to comply with that requirement is an offence

5.3 A requirement imposed by an Authorised Officer of the Council under Article 5 of this Order is not valid if the person

5.3.1 is asked by P to show evidence of his or her authorisation, and

5.3.2 fails to do so

2.3 The following paragraphs shall be renumbered consecutively as follows:

Paragraph 5 shall become paragraph 6

Paragraph 6 shall become paragraph 7

Paragraph 7 shall become paragraph 8

Paragraph 8 shall become paragraph 9

Paragraph 9 shall become paragraph 10

Paragraph 10 shall become paragraph 11

Paragraph 11 shall become paragraph 12

Paragraph 12 shall become paragraph 13

Paragraph 13 shall become paragraph 14

Paragraph 14 shall become paragraph 15

Paragraph 15 shall become paragraph 16

Paragraph 16 shall become paragraph 17

3. The Plan as defined in Paragraph 2 of the Original Order and attached to this Order is to remain unchanged

4. General

This Variation Order is made in accordance with the procedure set out in sections 60 and 61 of the Act. The provisions of the Original Order shall continue in full force and effect, save as expressly varied by this Order.

Dated this day of 2026

Given under the COMMON SEAL of)
NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL)

AUTHORISED SIGNATORY

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