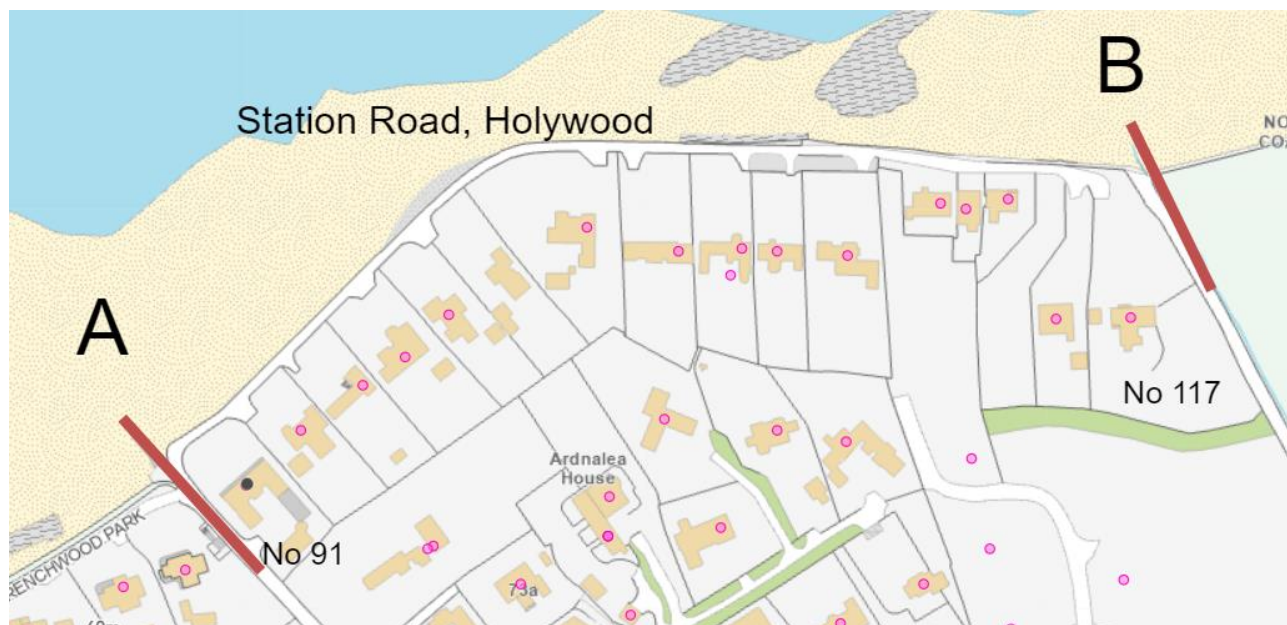


## **CONSULTATION ON DRAFT DOG ON LEADS (NORTH DOWN COASTAL PATH) ORDER 2025**

Take note that under the provisions of Part 5 section 40(1) of the Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 that Ards and North Down Borough Council intends to make an Order requiring dogs to be kept on a lead, maximum length 2 meters, on the following lands, in addition to those already in place under The North Down Borough Council Dog on Leads (Promenades and Gardens) Order 2013.

**That part of North Down Coastal path fronting dwellings 91 to 117 Station Road, Holywood, BT18 0BU and indicated between lines A and B. The map below may also be viewed on the Council website at [www.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/dog-control](http://www.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/dog-control)**

Written comments from members of the public or other interested parties can be sent to the postal address below or email [net.admin@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk](mailto:net.admin@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk) on or before the **27<sup>th</sup> March 2025** – (28 days from notice date).



A draft copy of the order is provided overleaf.

February 2025

**The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (Northern Ireland) 2011  
The Dog Orders (Prescribed Offences and Penalties etc.) Regulations  
(Northern Ireland) 2012 (S.R. 2012 No 114)**

**The Ards and North Down Borough Council  
Dog on Leads (North Down Coastal Path) Order 2025**

Ards and North Down Borough Council make the following order –

**Commencement**

1. This Order comes into operation on xxx 2025.

**Application**

2. This Order applies to the land being that part of North Down Coastal path fronting dwellings 91 to 117 Station Road, Holywood, BT18 0BU and indicated between lines A and B on the map attached.

**Offence**

3. (1) Any person in charge of a dog is guilty of an offence if, at any time, on any land to which this Order applies the person does not keep the dog on a lead of not more than 2 metres in length, unless-
  - (a) the person has a reasonable excuse for doing so; or
  - (b) the owner, occupier or other person or authority having control of the land has consented (generally or specifically) to the person failing to do so.
- (2) For the purposes of this Article a person who habitually has a dog in their possession shall be taken to be in charge of the dog at any time unless at that time some other person is in charge of the dog.

**Penalty**

4. A person guilty of an offence under Article 3 is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

Dated: xxxxx 2025

Sealed with the Corporate Seal of the Ards and North Down Borough Council in the presence of:

**Mayor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Executive** \_\_\_\_\_