

Proposed Dog Public Space Protection Orders

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

18 July 2024 - 05 September 2024

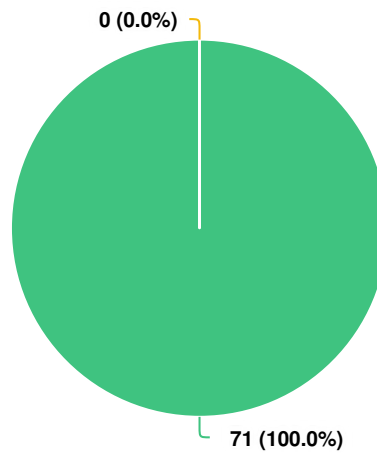
PROJECT NAME:

Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO) Consultation



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 | Cleaning up after a dog on all land throughout the district which has public access (except Forestry Commission land).

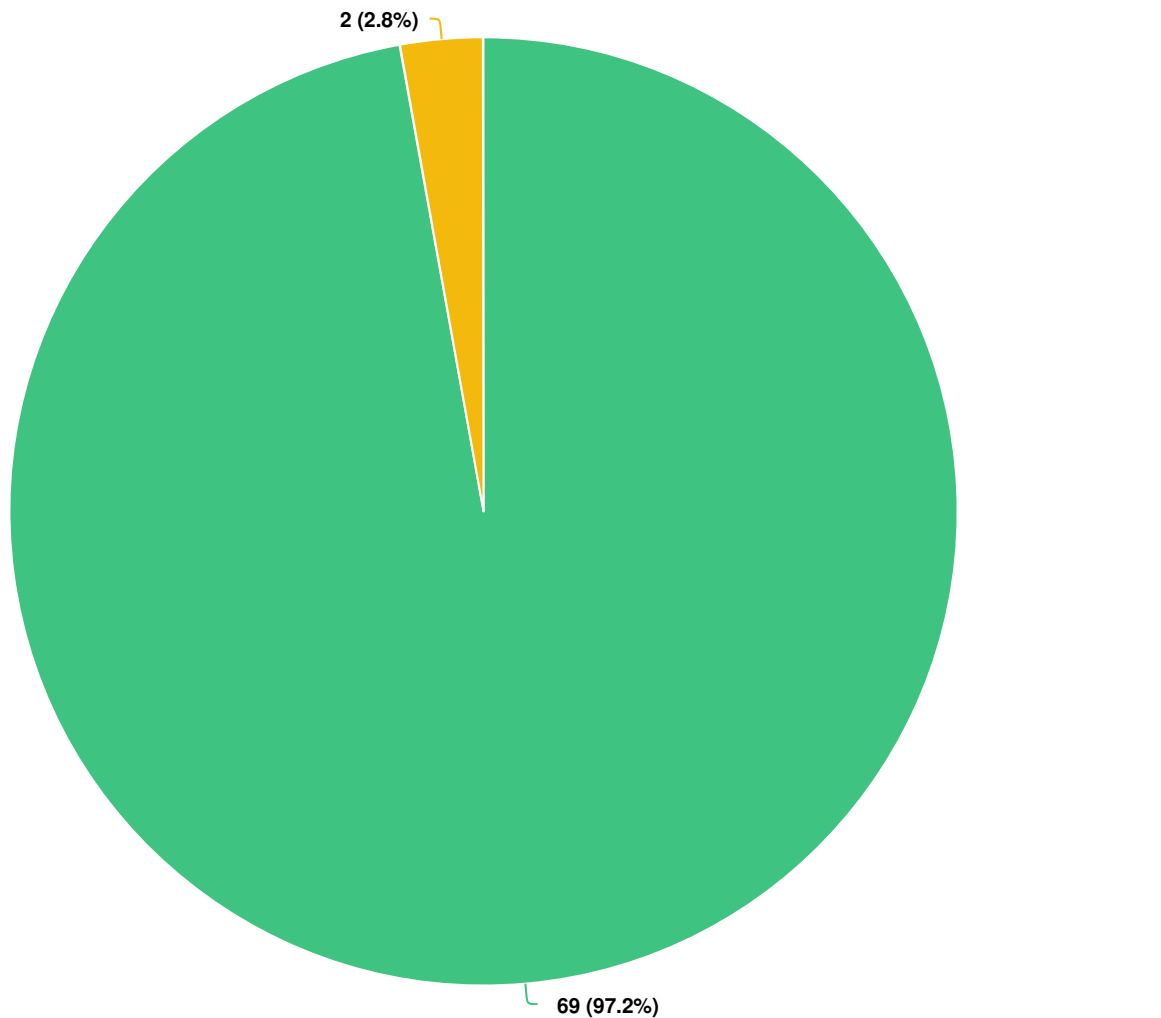


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Q2 | Keeping a dog on a lead on highways, car parks, cemeteries and graveyards and designated parks and gardens.

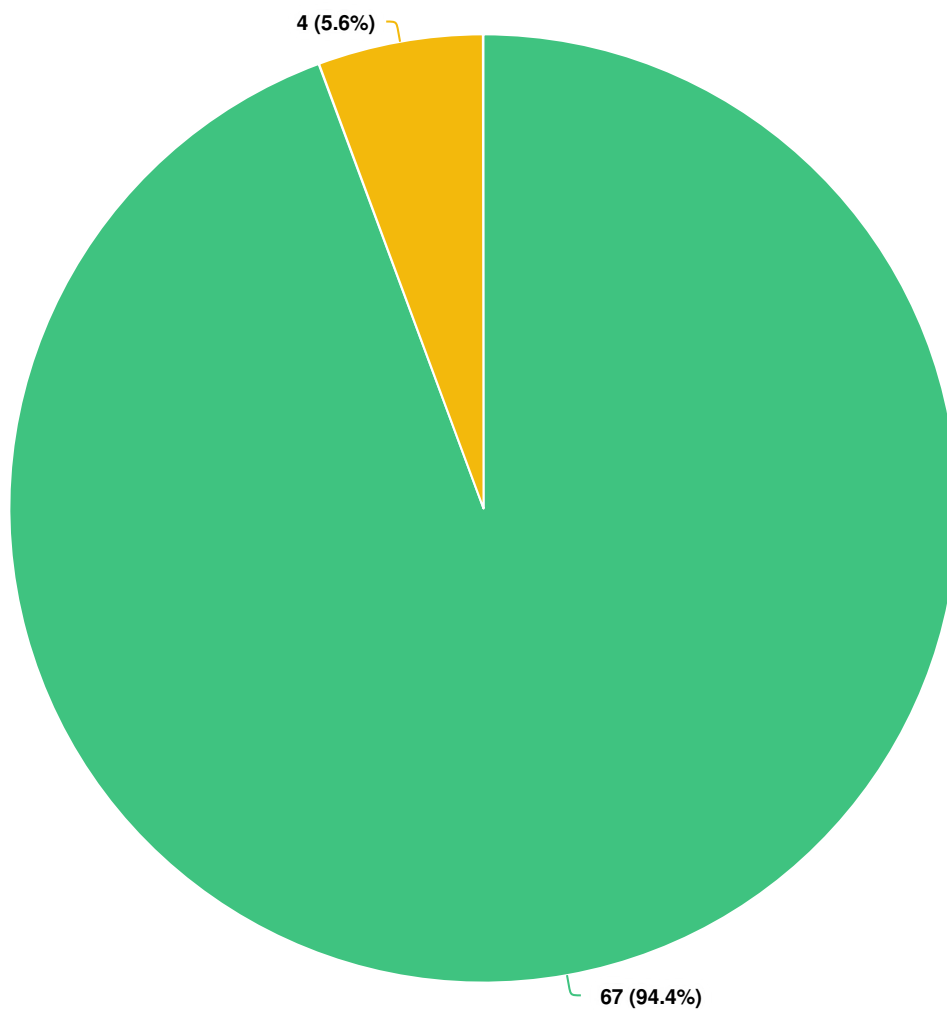


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Q3 Putting a dog on a lead when directed by a person authorised by the council. This would apply throughout the district and be used at events such as sports events on public playing fields.



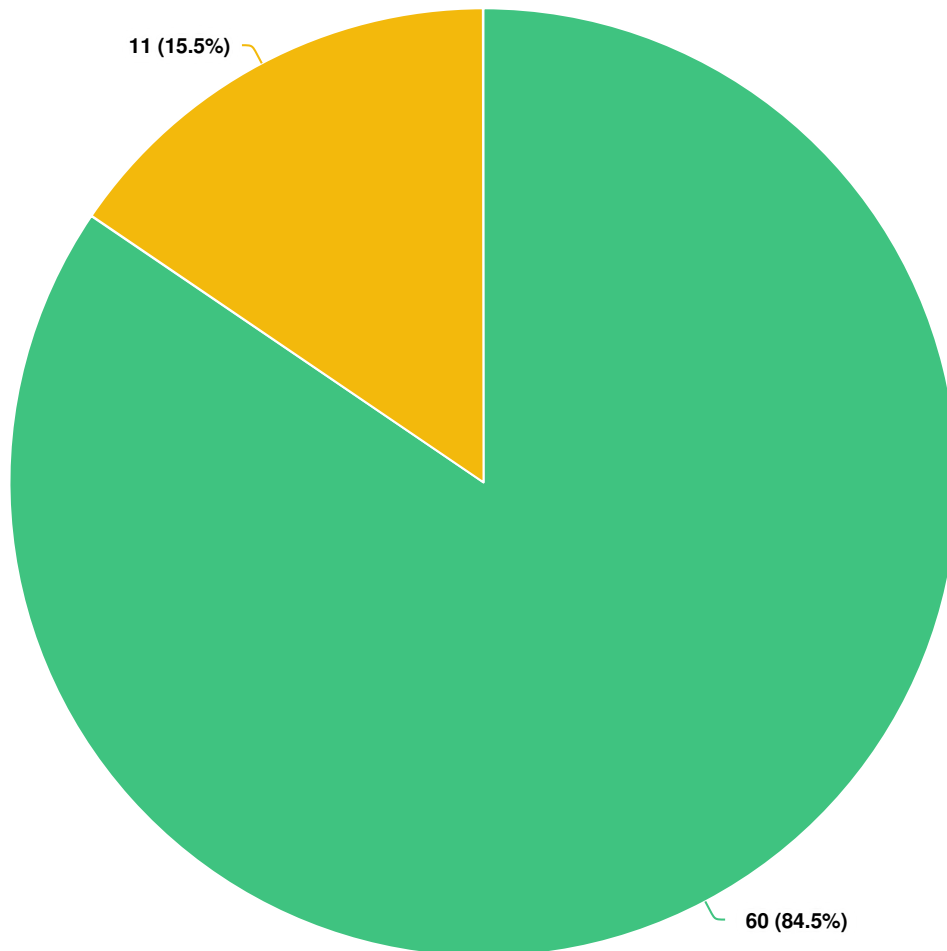
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Q4 Excluding dogs from designated areas, including a number of beaches during summer months, enclosed children's play areas and enclosed sports pitches.



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Q5 | Do you have any comments on the proposed dog public space protection orders?

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7/18/2024 02:04 PM

The production and erection of relevant signage for all areas covered would be useful.

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7/18/2024 02:16 PM

Dogs should not be on extendable leads on the promenade. Owners extend the dog lead without checking behind. This is a massive danger to cyclists and runners who are unable to stop before making contact with the lead. This could lead to the death of the dog and the cyclist/runner being seriously hurt

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7/18/2024 02:22 PM

Please review the beach exclusion areas the area near the Battery currently designated as all year dog friendly is full of families in the summer because of location near car parks and cafe whilst the beach between the midland hotel and before the battery car park is fairly empty I generally agree with the exclusion zones but this needs a review I would also like the length of the exclusion to be reviewed June, July and August would seem more reasonable

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7/18/2024 02:35 PM

Much harsher punishments needed for irresponsible owners who can't control their dog and/or don't clean up after them. Maybe not financial but get them patrolling the district picking up dog mess with their bare hands...or dump the daily dog poo bin collections in their garden. Show them how disgusting it is to have to deal with faeces that's been left.

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This only works if enforced. The existing orders are not effective as they are not enforced consistently

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Dog fouling is needless and dog owners need to be held accountable when they don't clean up after their dog.

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7/18/2024 03:13 PM

its all very well having these orders but they need enforcing.

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7/18/2024 03:35 PM

Could dogs be banned from beaches at certain times and allowed at other times. i.e before 8am and after 7pm?

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I do not support enforcing dog owners to put dogs on leads in

7/18/2024 04:43 PM

Williamson and Ryelands Parks. Not all dogs can be exercised properly if always on a a lead so there must be open spaces where dogs can run free.

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7/18/2024 06:14 PM

Agree with all proposals but I am thinking they will be hard to enforce , would love for my dog to have space to run but realise if all dogs do this then it would be mayhem and dangerous . I am not happy with the amount of dog poo just left on prom and pathways , also canal and parks .

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7/18/2024 06:31 PM

Good idea. There are lots of responsible dog owners, but those who are not need to be reprimanded.

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To enforce this the work needs to be done early mornings and evenings not only through office hours to ensure all offensive behaviour is addressed.

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7/18/2024 08:04 PM

So long as they're enforced. As a dog owner, it's even more infuriating to see people not control or pick up after them, but not once in any public space in/around Lancaster have I seen anyone fined or even approached by an official for doing so. Not once.

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7/19/2024 08:26 AM

More people to enforce the rules, if members of public complain just Get abuse back usually

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7/19/2024 09:18 AM

As long as the areas are patrolled regularly and fines issued. I own a dog and I get fed up of dodging mess left by in responsible owners

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a lot of dog fouling on the granville alley, a dog owner on there allows 2 dogs to run around the streets

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7/19/2024 11:53 AM

I disagree that dogs shouldn't be exercised off lead in public areas (playing fields) if it's safe to do so. Don't treat all dogs owners the same. Fine the irresponsible ones that don't control their dogs behaviour or clean up after them. I agree that other areas listed such as cemetery, play parks and some beaches should exclude dogs.

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Dogs need to be under control or on short leads in all public areas. Otherwise they are dangerous to many groups of people, eg elderly, less mobile, runners and cyclists.

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7/21/2024 03:20 PM

As a responsible dog owner no

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7/21/2024 05:52 PM

Why are dogs allowed in cemeteries? Often not on a lead....

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It would need more resources (staff) to enforce these PSPO's

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7/23/2024 06:55 PM

Dog fouling is a persistent issue on the streets close to the seafront in Heysham e.g. Knowlys Road and any additional powers to prevent this should be taken up by the council.

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7/24/2024 07:57 PM

Qualified support re exclusion: yes children's play area. BUT if you are excluding from a beach I would also like to see a specified dog friendly designated beach. Also, if you're going to ban dogs from a beach, you should also ban horses and other animals that are likely to need to relieve themselves!

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7/24/2024 09:25 PM

The beach to the left of the Midland hotel has summer restrictions. It is hardly used by people as a place to spend time like the central beach. Also, for people living in central Morecambe the battery beach is a long way to walk especially if your mobility is restricted, I drive to let my dogs go on this beach, which is also an environmental issue. So, I would like this to be reviewed and the beach have the dog restrictions removed

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7/24/2024 11:32 PM

Current legislation is not working. It is a disgrace on pedestrian walk ways/ pavements the amount of excrement to be avoided. When a bag is used by a dog owner, it is then left on the side or hanging from a bush/ tree.

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7/25/2024 05:54 AM

There need to be people out there enforcing these rules - so many dog owners seem to be oblivious of the needs of others, and I am usually too afraid to challenge them when they let their dog behave badly. There are many places that I won't go to any more, such as the canal and Williamson Park, because of dogs that are running about.

The owners just seem to think this is funny/ cute, but my husband is not very steady on his feet and there have been several times when I have been frightened of him being knocked over by dogs running at him. We need stricter rules about keeping dogs on leads, and special areas where dogs can be let off the lead, so that people like me can enjoy public spaces.

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7/25/2024 08:53 AM

I'm a dog owner, unfortunately many dog owners do not clean up after their dog and feel they have a right to let their dog off a lead without regards. I've seen a huge difference in attitudes these last few years and it shocks me, there is an entitlement. Very little manners or thought for children who fear dogs, or dogs who are nervous and reactive. It makes walking my dog very stressful and not a comfortable experience sometimes. I have had many piles of poo outside my drive/pavement to clean up which is grim. It's so easy to clean up after your own, it's sad a few spoil it for the many who are responsible. Notice signs would be good, so responsible owners would know where to take your dog for a walk or not.

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7/30/2024 09:34 AM

Dog owners ignoring signs on the cliffs dogs roaming around and sometimes owners not always visible

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7/30/2024 05:00 PM

More enforcement needed please. Ideally plain clothed officer as this will have more of an impact.

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7/31/2024 11:42 AM

dogs and dog waste are a major problem

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7/31/2024 09:38 PM

Not every dog why should they not be allowed on beaches as dog beach full people picnic etc and dog free beaches no one on them get full of rubbish beer cans etc

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8/01/2024 12:42 PM

Not the animal it's owners fault properly they right walk play too

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8/01/2024 12:46 PM

Yes make sure someone that can will enforce these laws sick dogs running off leads while there drunk or druggie owner chatting or scoring on streets especially dogs mussels now xlstaffies see them with out and off lead westend alot

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In larger parks have designated spaces where dogs can be safely

8/01/2024 01:37 PM

taken off a leash which are clearly signed - this ensures dogs can be fully exercised but public who prefer not to be confronted by dogs can avoid these designated areas whilst still enjoying wider facilities.

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8/01/2024 03:29 PM

Specifically for the beach restrictions, I think if dogs are banned from some beaches in the summer months, there needs to be provision in place to keep the space clean of human litter too, in order to preserve the cleanliness of the space. I do support dog-free beaches during summer as this protects children and vulnerable people from raucous dogs but believe the restrictions could be reduced slightly to cover a shorter space in the calendar, as the beaches are often unoccupied during rainy/cold season.

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8/04/2024 02:55 PM

I am a responsible owner, with a well trained dog. The PSPOs are a hindrance to my movements and brand me as a nuisance. What is the council doing to encourage and support responsible dog ownership? Banning them from public areas means that responsible folk will obey and irresponsible owners will still flout the law. The wrong people suffer.

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I assume highways includes cycle ways and footpaths. If not it should.

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8/05/2024 06:33 PM

There has been a huge proliferation in the number of dogs on Morecambe Promenade, many of which the owners struggle to handle, and there has been an increase in the amount of excrement on the Promenade as a result. I would support increased enforcement of dog fouling legislation.

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8/07/2024 06:15 AM

There need to be areas where dogs can run off lead. Fenham Carr is an important space for dogs to run. Often in Williamson Park we dog walkers are the only ones there, rainy wet February mornings for example - it's great to let the dog get exercise and run. Please don't stop that.

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8/10/2024 10:40 AM

I'm a dog owner and I fully agree! 2 days ago there was a man with three huge dogs on the clock tower beach and they were unleashed. He looked like a local so would definitely know they are not allowed. More needs to be done the whole of the west end is covered in dog excrement that people don't pick up it's vile. Especially Alexander road

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No

8/13/2024 04:47 PM

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I like dogs but I thoroughly support them being restricted in areas of family leisure,sports matches,cycle paths etc

8/20/2024 01:37 PM

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These all sound reasonable. Multiple times in the past year I have been run up to and jumped at by dogs off the lead in Williamson Park, with their owners not being able to recall the dog. This makes my experience of the Park slightly scary sometimes.

8/22/2024 10:22 AM

Optional question (44 response(s), 27 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q6 | Do you have any ideas or suggestions that would encourage people to become responsible dog owners? Please be aware that we have limited resources to support this.

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Not right now

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Bring back the dog licence

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On the spot fines for people not carrying poo bags; mandatory training/licensing before they get a dog in the first place.

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Name offenders that are caught in public places (e.g. local press)

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Tougher action on dog owners - could there ever be the equivalent of a speed awareness course type thing for owners who don't clean up after their dogs.

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Why cannot temporary discrete cctv not be used to tackle bad spots of dog fouling with notices indicating that cameras are or might be in use.

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Display signs defining acceptable behaviour to be made more prominent.

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More bins that are emptied and kept clean

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Compulsory dog training courses.

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Enforcement of the things mentioned in this survey

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Yes education and raised awareness through publicity for all groups.

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7/18/2024 08:04 PM

You have a whole army of visible parking attendants - could you not turn a couple of those in to dog wardens? They could randomly patrol the parks etc, make their presence felt and hopefully modify behaviour.

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more poop bins

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7/19/2024 08:26 AM

Dog licence, make it law that dog walkers have to have poo bags with them, no excuse then for not picking it up

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7/19/2024 09:18 AM

Heavy fines could deter people from leaving dog mess

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This is beyond your control. Fines might help be would be next to impossible to enforce. I see dogs mess that's been left by irresponsible owners everyday on our dog walks but never actually catch them in the act.

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Dog license

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7/20/2024 08:49 AM

More dog waste bins Path that runs parallel with train line and Sibsey street is regularly covered with dog waste

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7/20/2024 12:16 PM

Prosecute those who don't update dog chip details otherwise there is no point in the legislation being in place. Consider a system where

one offence of failing to update can be managed by No further action if the details are updated within a week otherwise a financial penalty would be applicable.

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7/21/2024 03:20 PM

Maybe more designated enclosed areas for dogs to have good run around e.g. the dog field on heysham mossgate Road.

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funding for awards / training to celebrate good behaviour to.

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Work with residents to place and restock poo bag holders in relevant places. Local leafleting campaigns for dog walkers.

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More dog wardens; Actually acting on reports of repeat irresponsible owners: e.g., those who allow fouling, dogs who repeatedly run loose, or whose dog 'threatens' other dogs Taking action on dogs who are persistent barkers: those left home all day & yap/bark continuously

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7/24/2024 09:25 PM

If the area was better maintained and areas kept clean and tidy, I feel people would be more inclined to pick up after their dogs. When the areas look run down people take no pride or responsibility. When I travel around the eastern coastlines of England, the towns and beaches are generally better kept. Also, a lot of local bins have been removed. On Green street alone 2 bins have been removed.

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7/24/2024 09:46 PM

Licensing and training for all dog owners

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Increase the cost for dog ownership and that all dogs must be registered and micro chipped.

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I think there should be a licensing and microchipping system for all dogs, which could fund enforcement officers so that dog owners would have a greater incentive to control their dogs properly. Owners should have their dogs taken away if they do not comply.

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7/25/2024 08:53 AM

Not sure, it's peoples attitudes. We have a sign on a lamp post outside my home about dog fouling but some owners still don't clean up. Signage, poop bags get stolen and vandalised. Education, start

young, teaching responsibility, how can you change attitudes?

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7/30/2024 09:34 AM

A check every now and again

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7/30/2024 05:00 PM

Maybe you could have a 'dog fouling' section on your 'Love Clean Streets' app? Then the attending staff could use a quad bike with a suction pipe which sprays disinfectant on the patch after the faeces is removed.

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7/31/2024 11:42 AM

fines

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7/31/2024 09:38 PM

More bins to put dogwaste in more dog bag post and fill these up .
Check licence on certain dogs especially westend opened by druggies as always off the lead

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8/01/2024 12:42 PM

Park parks spaces fenced off dogs play more rubbish bins one walking from morecambe town on shop sides after KFC only on prom

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Better signage more bins some one patrolling areas who will fine not like traffic wardens who turn blind eye depending on who you are so don't get trouble. Encourage dog friendly business supply dog bags so no excuse for not picking it up

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8/01/2024 01:37 PM

Dog walkers are creatures of habit and tend to go out at same time of day and similar routes each day. Inconsiderate owners therefore leave dog mess repeatedly in similar locations. Have a well publicised way for public to submit anonymous tipoffs to the council then take owners to court - one or two well publicised cases would go a long way to making many more dog owners think twice and act more considerately.

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Public poo bag dispensers along problematic routes that often have dog waste left on them - this means there is less of an excuse to not clean up after their dogs.

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8/04/2024 02:55 PM

Supply poop bags on gate posts. Sufficient bins. Posters describing what is expected from responsible owners. Agreement and consultation on what constitutes responsible ownership.

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8/04/2024 07:52 PM

More signage, there is virtually non informing people of the current regs other than on the seafront in Morecambe.

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8/05/2024 08:41 AM

More bins

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8/07/2024 06:15 AM

More bins. Free bags in key places where poo isn't collected. Arrest irresponsible owners and remove their dogs from them

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8/10/2024 10:40 PM

Put cameras up especially on Alexandra rd and threaten to go public with their photos to ascertain who they are

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8/13/2024 04:47 PM

I really don't know. It is not dog's fault that the owners are not responsible and it is probably not practical to take the dogs away as then they would need re homing.

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8/20/2024 01:37 PM

I'm not sure to be honest. It seems so simple to me that you should pick up dog poo,so.if people don't do it, I don't know how on earth to get them to o change their ways.

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8/22/2024 10:22 AM

Dog licensing at a national level. Prominent signs on entry to Williamson Park (and other spaces) saying that dogs must be on a lead regardless of whether the owner thinks they're well behaved.

Optional question (44 response(s), 27 skipped)

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