

910	Enforcement of the proposals will require large numbers of "staff"...the cost to the taxpayer is disproportionate, to any problems with dogs. Health and safety and risk benefit of dog fouling and dog attacks have not been publicised. The proposals will detract from tourism & have a devastating effect on professional dog walkers
911	It is good that there are some restrictions placed on where dogs can be exercised, and owners need to be responsible owners! But it would also be nice if there were some dedicated dog only parks, so dog owners have somewhere to take their dog for safe exercise.
912	I control my dog and believe others should
913	I regularly walk round Fairhaven Lake, with and without dogs. Today was a typical example when, of over 20 dogs being walked, only 5 (including my 2) were on lead. One was being encouraged to fetch a ball from the lake a dozen times between the cafe and the toilets near the ice cream kiosk. One spritzer spaniel, off lead, ran over to my dog and I had to shout at it twice to go away. The owner was 20 yards away. She came over and remonstrated that I should not shout at her dog, which was not under control, and quite clearly invaded my space, and that of my dog. I pointed out the restrictions about dogs on leads, and that of my dog's "owner get real". This was, I intended to write to the Council complaining of the complete lack of enforcement, as I felt the policing of the situation awful. Having read this survey, I can see the problem. I fully endorse dog walking controls, and hope to see some form of enforcement because, as a dog owner myself, the ones who disregard these controls do a great disservice to responsible dog owners.
914	I am in favour of the council enforce the existing laws regarding dog fouling and animals out of control. However I see no need for further by laws which will only penalise the responsible owners. Also with current cost constraints I do not think these could be enforced anyway.
915	Dog owners should be free to walk their dogs without all the rules. If they don't pickup after their own dogs then fair enough, the should be punished. However as a responsible dog owner I use my own judgement when to let my dogs off their leads and if I feel there is a danger my dogs are trained to come straight back to me and go back on their leads.
916	It is essential that we leave open for space for dogs to run and lead throughout the year. The majority of dog owners are responsible and they should not be penalised by the irresponsible ones.
917	As a Fairhaven resident I have to tolerate dog mess every time I walk out of my front door. There is no pooling of existing laws which I understand from the dog warden team is because they would rather only educate rather than fine people for breaking the rules. This policy has proven to fail year after year. I hope that changes if implemented will actually be enforced either warden or area will continue to stink of dog mess and be avoided by many people as it already is.
918	As a carer for my brother who has Downs syndrome, is on the autistic spectrum, has dementia, and is very frightened of dogs, I need somewhere to go with him for a walk where I can be confident that dogs will be absent or under control via a lead. This is pretty impossible at present as even where I understand dogs are supposed to be on leads on Fairhaven Lake, these measures are not taken. These potential measures would have a huge impact on our lives and would be a huge financial burden on the council. I would be happy to be kept UNDER CONTROL, would be a much better use of time and resources. A dog can be perfectly under control and off lead or remain on a lead and still be dangerously out of control. Fyde council, and indeed all councils, need to further review their dog control measures to better ensure public safety. The requirement of leads is no the best way to go about this in all situations and excluding dogs from our public spaces is most definitely not the way to go about it. Exclusion will only lead to resentment and a much larger divide between non-dog owners and their dog owning counterparts.
920	The beach should be a free place for dogs to off their leads. Summer is the time. I agree the prom should be leads on. Any garden or park should have dogs on leads as many children do like dogs jumping around them. The car park rule would be silly as many dogs jump out of cars and then get leads on. Don't think there has been a problem of dogs getting injured. Dog walkers should be limited as I have seen large numbers about and have had to pick up 2 dogs that had escaped dog walkers and were running on road. How they can keep a safe eye on so many is beyond belief and too pick up that much poo you would expect to see them with a bucket. There is a problem with dog mess so I think this should be reviewed better before any other changes are made.
921	I agree that the dog fouling needs to be addressed but this is not kept on top of now so I don't see how you will control this
922	A lot of people visit the area to exercise their dogs and then spend money in the shops and cafes in Lytham and St Annes. When told about these proposals a number have said they will not visit if these restrictions are put into place. This will have a serious knock on effect to all those businesses and therefore needs to be rethought. Furthermore, will we see a reduction in council tax if we cannot use the parks and open spaces as you have already closed libraries and both these are paid for by our council tax below.
923	I feel Dogs under control and non aggressive should be allowed off lead on playing fields. I do not support a blanket ban. Penalties for not clearing up after your dog would be more severe but any penalty will only work if there is someone to enforce it. The existing bylaws have not been enforced and had they been so, more stringent laws would not be needed.
924	The restrictions during dog defecation renewal bins do not breed in new suggested area. So why stop dogs going there. As a member of 2 of a beach cleaning groups, this proposal will affect at least 4 people in each group and have huge knock on to litter clearance the dogs do not show to Queens St, which is centre of Lytham??
925	I have objected to some of the total exclusions proposed on the grounds that dogs could be kept on a lead instead of a total ban. Also I wonder what difference you think it will make keeping a dog on a lead to those people who currently don't pick up their dog's mess.
926	To honest your questions are not clear enough. Also I am surprised you are even asking these questions. Isn't it just obvious that there should be restrictions like this also the fines are not big enough. Should be at least 2000 if not 5000 You also need to drive responsible ownership by actually imposing the fines... don't threaten do it. Also it would be nice to see a proportion of fines used to go towards a local animal charity not wasted on propping up another bit of the authorities expenses. Publish some stats on the web site... location... number of penalties issued... name and shame... show revenue... Once you have done all this... do something that's really needed and start to look or even to introduce a reasonable ownership of other animals. It would be nice to see the site to open to animals and if they need to be kept on a lead, then they should be held in secure areas for animals. Collies need suitable bins.
927	While I am in full support of dogs being under control at all times. It is a little misleading about certain areas like Ramsgate Rd playing field. I am also aware that older generation rely on free to run areas for their dogs to they as well as their dogs can socialize and exercise. I would love to see some dog only areas. Fenced off like on Lima Rd St Annes.
928	I have no objections to banning dogs from certain areas or keeping them on a lead in other areas, but in order to undertake fully the responsibilities of being a good dog owner, we have to allow our animals to exhibit natural behaviour and this includes being able to run free both for exercise and mental wellbeing. As a tax payer I expect to be able to access a safe, large space both within my own village AND in the surrounding areas to provide my dogs with the ability to stretch their legs, and in return I ensure my animals do not cause a nuisance or health risk by making sure they interact with both humans and other dogs in an appropriate manner and remove their droppings from the local environment. When these changes take place, good, clear signage will be a must so there is no doubt what is expected from owners and where they can't go and if a dog is allowed off a lead or not. Good dog owners just want to share space.
929	Further rules and regulations to govern dogs and their owners are not required. Statistics show information from FOI request that complaints about dogs have and are falling. FPN's awarded have been negligible. Therefore the restrictions currently in operation are working and are sufficient. It is unnecessary to further penalise dog owners. We feel we are being marginalised and discriminated against when money could be better spent by the council on the appalling amount of dog holes on our roads better recycling services and street cleaning. The amount of litter on our streets is embarrassing. If the Council feels the need to spend money they do not have, how about some PSP's for cyclists who frequently ride on pavements, and choose to ignore the existing laws of the Highway Code and PSP's for people, animals, litter and fly line. I strongly object to these proposed further restrictions for dog owners.
930	I own 2 dogs and when I need them to be dog sat they are looked after very well by a professional dog walker whom I trust and she does walk them in a pack of 8. I know that she picks up after them and walks them away from people. I am sure that if she had to reduce the number of dogs that she takes, then the price would be prohibitively expensive. I rely on this service to be both a responsible dog owner and to be able to leave my home for more than 4 hours at a time. Professional dog walking is a business like any other and feels like this is being discriminated against. Specially for me! Perhaps you could issue permits for walkers who live in the Fyde area? The dog fouling... could you install CCTV in certain areas such as the promenade and off Fairhaven. I have advised for 10 years to have a dog sat service but I don't see how you will find the the number of dog walkers are increased about it too.
931	People regularly have dogs running loose in parks and near playgrounds strong enforcement is required in these areas particularly to protect children playing in the areas.
932	I am pleased that the area of dunes between Grannys Bay and Fairhaven is to remain a dog off lead area, but believe the restrictions during sea wall rebuilding are unnecessary, surely common sense will dictate to any dog owner that their dog would be safer on a lead at such times. Glad to see that there is no mention, yet, of a requirement to reinforce a zone has been demanded by a warden. Who are these wardens? I have not to see one in the 25 years we have lived in Lytham.
933	As I have previously asked that the area bordered by inner Promenade and the Sewage Works or St Pauls Road Car Park, the Dunes and to Fairhaven Road Car Park should be ALL treated as a NO restriction area. This is because the area from Denford Road to sewage works would be impossible to police as a Dogs on Leads zone.
934	The survey isn't 100% clear on where the actual restrictions would be. If Grannys Bay... can dogs still be exercised on the green and not on the sand and up to the tide line when the proposed works are taking place? Also, I use a professional dog walker and sometimes stand in for other professional dog walkers when they're on holidays etc. From talking with other professional dog walkers and also from what I see of them, all of them are in control of the dogs they look after. I know my own dog walker visits each dog before she takes them on and usually meets the dog and owner for a walk with the other dogs before agreeing to undertake looking after them. I also know that she has refused unsuitable / untrustworthy dogs and I see this as responsible and looking for the welfare of not only the dogs in her care, but also herself and other people. I also have seen her and other dog walkers have certain dogs on leads where they feel that they are not suitable to be let off but they are ok within the pack. They are responsible and pick up after the animals (and even some that are n't) in their care. The packs keep together which is how dogs are. It would be detrimental to restrict dog walkers and dog owners. It would be detrimental to restrict dog walkers and dog owners. As businesses you would be denying them their livelihood which may mean that they have to have their livelihoods supported with Govt support - more statistics. As a user of a dog walker - I know that when I am away working or on holiday, my dog is well cared for and looked after as if she was at home with me. By denying that to users of professional dog walkers would mean that I was unable to either work or go away on holiday / or my dog would have to be subjected to kennels which are not suitable. In addition, I think restricting the number of dogs to be walked per person could potentially increase the numbers waiting for homes in dog trusts etc., as people would be reluctant to take them on. Also, if people have more than 4 dogs - walking dogs separately is not only too time consuming but ridiculous in its sentiment. I personally would take great exception if this rule were enforced. I hope that suitable agreements can be met through the consultation and that the council take on board what the residents are saying. We are not in objection of all the laws being proposed but we would
935	What about other parks? This is a very limited consultation, there are lots of other parks not mentioned, what happens to these?
936	If the restriction of 4 dogs per person is imposed it will greatly affect the professional dog walkers in Fyde who may then be unable to continue to exercise other peoples dogs. This would be devastating for a lot of Fyde residents, in particular the elderly, who would then be unable to give their dogs adequate exercise. There are also a number of people who own more than 4 dogs and they would be penalised heavily for this. The council should carefully consider some of these proposals and how it is going to impact on residents and visitors lives and the small businesses in Lytham and St Annes, many of whom rely heavily on tourists visiting the Fyde. Many of these visitors come here because they can walk their dogs in a lovely area.
937	A complete waste of time & the council should use their funds more appropriately. Dogs need to be exercised, and are often for less trouble when on a lead. The biggest issue I have with dog walkers is actually those using extendable leads (not ones off a lead). Also cyclists seem far more dangerous for Pedestrians (particularly children) along the prom in Lytham than dogs.
938	I agree with some of the proposals but I do object to the fixed penalty noticed as I am not sure how it is policed and what effect it will have. Most dog owners use their common sense and regard the welfare of their animal and the community when exercising their dog. I am unsure of the fair haven / Grannys Bay replacement sea defences and the map is confusing. Maybe having volunteer dog wardens who can keep people educated about the law would be better than charging people and criminalising the very social activity of dog walking. It reads as though you are keeping all the same laws but just introducing fines if people make a mistake by letting a dog off the lead.
939	I agree that dogs should be on a lead on highways and public places. All dog faces should be picked up and disposed of in the bins provided. I also think that children should be able to play freely in their play areas and dogs kept on a lead and not allowed in water features. All dogs, no matter how many, should be under control and supervision at all times and not allowed to upset people or other dogs. Most dogs greet others but not all recipients appreciate this, yet the owners feel that to say 'he is friendly' is enough. My dog is often distressed by such greetings. My experience is that, by and large, dog walkers have the most control over their charges and it is the mis and compatibility which is important, not the number. The professionals seem to have this weighed up and an uncanny eye to watch and collect over their charges. The beach from the North Promenade (north) to Starr Gate is an invaluable walking area. If dogs cannot run freely here it is the most desired for most of the year.
940	Dogs require exercise off leads, and it is animal cruelty to attempt to enforce otherwise. With regards to the green on Lytham, it is my understanding that it was gifted to the people of Lytham without restrictions.
941	You seem to want to demonize every dog owner rather than catching those who cannot control their dogs. This will have serious repercussions for those tourists who believe we are a dog friendly council.
942	I think the Council's priority should be to seek out those not taking up after their dog's and prosecute them.
943	I am interested in the proposals as I have two dogs. It is under the dangerous dogs act or is it reduce the amount of fouling? Well done actually being able to do something but could you also do something about the Lycra clad cyclists on the prom please dangerous cyclist act
944	I think that there is regulation required on the current by-laws have no teeth. I had a frightening experience in a park this year where my dogs and I were harassed by a young dog who was off the lead, and the owner did not have proper control over. As it was much bigger than my two pets it was a frightening experience. Equally in terms of professional dog walkers, whilst I accept that some will be able to control 4 or more dogs under direction, this depends on the nature and size of the animals concerned. Looking after six or seven calm pets is a different proposition to controlling a similar number of larger dogs who are more exuberant. I do think that wide expanses of areas, that are well set back from roads should be areas where dogs should be able to roam free. Finally, the amenity beach is for visitors and residents with dogs alike, and there should be no seasonal restrictions, but reinforce an after sunset one.