

**Northam Town Council
Survey on a future dog policy**



Town Hall
1 Windmill Lane
Northam
EX39 1BY

Please complete the survey and return by June 28th 2019



Northam Town Council is aware of the problems presented by dog fouling and is seeking possible solutions.

- We would be grateful if you could complete the survey, whether or not you are a dog owner.
- This survey will be used to try to tackle any problems and produce a policy for the future.
- Unfortunately, there are health issues with dog excrement including toxocariasis this can cause serious health problems for people.
- This survey is to seek the views of local residents, **no decisions have yet been made.**

Thank you for reading this questionnaire and completing it.

Please include your name and address for us to verify that you are a local resident.

That information will not be passed to any third parties or used other than for verification.

If there is insufficient space for your answer, please submit additional sheets.

Please return your responses by email (survey@northamtowncouncil.gov.uk), freepost "FREEPOST NORTHAM TOWN COUNCIL" on line (www.northamtowncouncil.gov.uk) or by hand Northam Town Council by June 28th 2019

Northam Town Council survey to prepare a policy for dog control

1) Are you a dog owner Yes/No

2) Is there a problem with dog mess in the Northam Town Council area. Please respond by number with 1 being no to 5 being very severe.

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3) Do you feel there should be more early education for dog owners Yes/No

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4) Should the length of dog leads be defined where there is a requirement for a dog to be on a lead Yes/No

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5) Would you be prepared to report a dog owner if you saw their dog fouling Yes/No

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6) Should the Council provide "dog free" areas in play areas and on sports pitches Yes/No

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7) Should dogs be kept on a lead when in the "open spaces" areas of the Town Council Yes/No

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8) Are more dog bins needed Yes/No

9) If you responded yes: please indicate places you would like to see them.

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10) Would you like The Town Council to consider the employment of a dog and litter warden Yes/No

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11) Would you be prepared for an increase in your council tax to support a warden to assist in eradicating the problems. Yes/No

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12) Should there be fines for dog walkers not carrying dog bags Yes/No

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13) Should posters be displayed around the area, warning of potential fines Yes/No

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14) Do you have any sensible suggestions for solving the problem if the Town Council cannot proceed with employing a warden.

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Contact details:

Name

Address