

Dog Control Order – Consultation Comments

Via E-mail

- (i) “As a parent of four young children, I fully support any measures to address this awful problem. I would support an increase in the fine far beyond £80. Other measures – such as posting photographs of repeat offending owners online – should also be considered.”
- (ii) “I would like to provide positive feedback for the proposed Fouling of Land by Dogs Order. I work in the Spectrum Centre, which is at the corner of the Shankill road and Tennent Street. This area is particularly affected by dog fouling and walking into work is often akin to navigating a mine field.
- (iii) I welcome legislation that will make my short walk from my car to work more pleasant, but would also suggest that dog fouling hot spots such as this be actively targeted as a deterrent, if the legislation is passed.”
- (iv) “The only thing I can say about this is that it won't matter what you raise the fine to if you aren't enforcing it properly. I live in Haypark Avenue BT7 and my street and surrounding areas (Haywood Ave) are festooned with dog dirt¹ and never seemed to be cleaned. Dog owners obviously know that there's no enforcement presence and so continue to offend.

Can you let me know if any fines/detections have ever been made in this area?”

We have replied to this resident and have responded to the complaint.

- (v) “I completely agree with this rise in fine, as recently I've stood on dog poo three times in the past 2 weeks in my area of the Lisburn Road. There is no excuse, but laziness and people only think with money. Keep up the good work BCC.”

Via Social Networks

“Best idea to deal with dog fouling is to increase the fine. If any of the 7 *bits of dog dirt*² in my street resulted in a fine then this might work”

There were 3 “re-tweets” of our consultation invite which generally lead us to believe these people are supporting the proposal

¹ Not actual word used

² Not actual term used

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