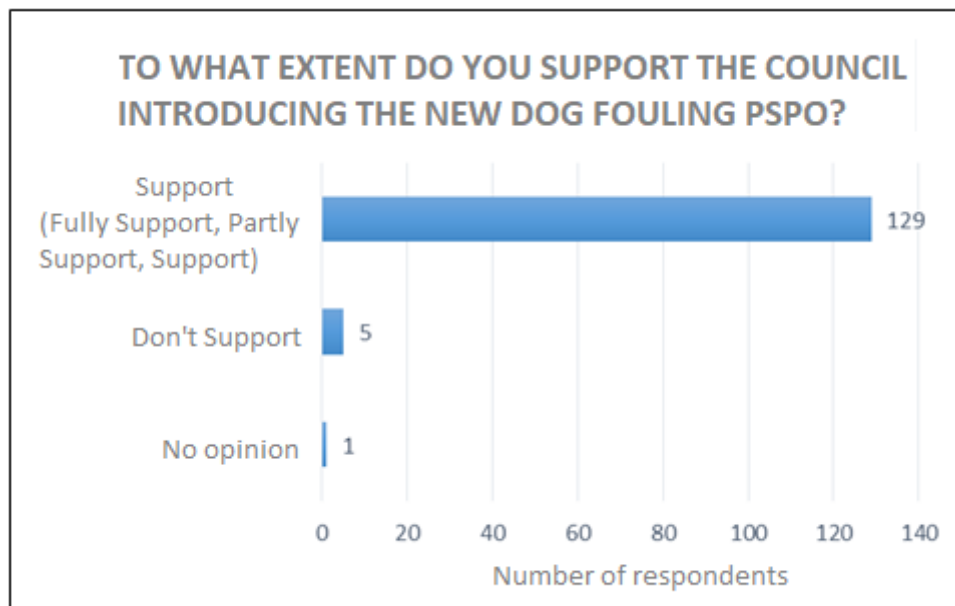
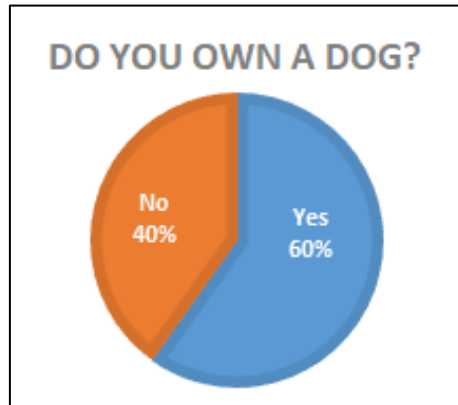


Public Spaces Protection Order Dog Fouling 2018 Consultation

We had a total of 135 responses to the consultation, including residents, councillors and visitors. We had responses from a large number of dog owners and those without dogs, which is important to see how the PSPO is viewed from both sides.

The majority of responses supported the introduction of the PSPO (fully support, partly support, support).



Comments

Comments on the PSPO were mainly positive, with many anecdotes about how dog fouling is impacting on daily life. Many agreed it is offensive and unnecessary. Opposition for the PSPO questioned whether it is a high priority and worth spending money. Suggestions mainly centred on dog bins, signage and enforcement.

"I would like to be able to report dog fouling to a single email address" – **We have a new dedicated email address 'envirocrime@eastcambs.gov.uk' for all environmental crime issues to be reported—dog fouling, littering, fly tipping.**

“Not something that can easily be enforced” – We hope to compile a ‘hot spot’ list which can be monitored and patrolled. We will also be informing the public of how they can report incidents they have witnessed, and what evidence we would need to issue a FPN.

“Need more dog bins” – there are currently 315 dog bins in the district. Bagged dog waste can be placed in any of the 1000 general waste bins in the district.

“Please can you sticker up bins to say they can be used for bagged dog waste” – We have printed some stickers that will be placed on general waste bins to inform the public that they can be used for bagged dog waste.

“It should be left to degrade naturally” - It can take over one year for dog waste to decompose, and even then eggs from harmful parasites can linger for years in the soil.

PSPO Consultation Results

Question	Response	Comments
Do you own a dog?	Yes -79 No – 53	
Are you a resident/councillor/visitor/ other?	Resident- 124 Parish council representative - 11 Visitor -2 Other - 1	Other – lives on the border of East Cambs/Suffolk Number is greater than total respondents as some people have answered more than one option (i.e. resident and parish council representative)
To what extent do you support the Council introducing the Dog Fouling PSPO?	Fully Support – 117 Support - 7 Partly Support- 5 Don’t Support- 5 No opinion – 1	Total responses 135