Dog Control Orders have been replaced by Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs).

Rossendale Borough Council has a number of existing Dog Control Orders which we would like to continue to enforce, by including them in the PSPO.

In addition, we would like to introduce some new requirements which will help us to deal with dog fouling and problematic dog behaviour.

We seek your views and opinions in order for us to ensure that the controls we introduce are relevant and necessary.

Please let us know your thoughts by answering the questions below.

QUESTIONS

About our existing dog control orders

Q1. The Council has existing powers which makes it an offence if a person in charge of a dog fails to clean up its faeces.

Do you think we should continue to enforce this?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

Q2. Across a number of locations across the borough INCLUDING cemeteries, allotments, car parks, formal gardens and memorial gardens and all highways, roads etc. managed by Lancashire County Council (shown on appendix B) it is a requirement for dogs to be under control and on a lead.

Do you think we should continue to enforce this?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

Q3. Across a number of locations across the borough INCLUDING children's play areas, sports facilities, sports pitches, multi-use games areas, tennis courts, bowling greens, skate parks, bike tracks and Rossendale Leisure Trust sites (shown on appendix D) dogs are excluded.

Do you think we should continue to enforce this?

YES NO DON'T KNOW Q4.The council has existing powers to enforce that dogs are placed on a lead by direction if the authorised officer deems it reasonably necessary to prevent a nuisance or behaviour by the dog likely to cause annoyance or disturbance to any other person, or the worrying or disturbance of any animal or bird.

Do you think we should continue to enforce this?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

About the proposed additional powers

Q5. Do you think we should introduce a new offence under the PSPO requiring dog walkers to carry a 'poop bag' or other means for picking up after their dog?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

Q6. Do you think we should restrict the number of dogs walked at any one time by one person to 5 dogs?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

Q7. Do you have any other comments or suggestions?