

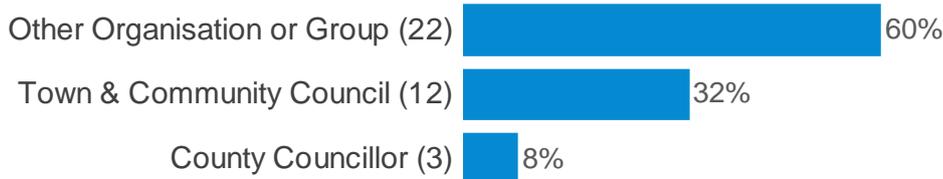
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(1) Are you responding as a?



(1a) Please tell us which ward you represent

Trimsaran

(1a) Please tell us which Town or Community Council you are responding on behalf ((1a) Please tell us which Town or Community Council you a...)

Llanelli, Elli Ward	Llanboidy	Carmarthen town council
Llandeilo	Eglwys Cummin	Llandybie community council
Betws Community Council	Cynwyl Gaeo	Gorslas community council
Llanelli Rural Council	Trimsaran community council	

(1a) Please tell us which Organisation or Group you are representing ((1a) Please tell us which Organisation or Group you are r...)

Member of public	Red kite trec froup
Dog walker	Carmarthenshire Riders Group
Whitland Memorial Hall	Cymru Carriage Club
myself and other dog owners	Drefach Dog Owners Club
Rate payer in Carmarthenshire	Kennel club
Whitland Dog Walking group	Carmarthenshire Disability Coalition for Action
I'm part of Carmarthenshire riders	Dogs trust

(2) Do you agree with the proposed 3 year extension of the Public Spaces Protection Order?



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(2a) Please add any comments that you wish to make.

they need to have more enforcement

County Council owned playgrounds albeit leased to town and community councils should also fall under this order and be given appropriate signage. Fencing should not be a factor assuming dogs are under control. There should be designated fenced areas for dogs to exercise freely and off lead. They are easier to train if they are tired. People pay for these areas £10 per hour.

I would like to see more enforcement of the dog fouling order. Dog ownership has grown dramatically particularly during the pandemic. Given the current state of public spaces with regard to dog fouling, the number of recorded complaints, fixed penalty notices issued and prosecutions brought over the last six years is lamentable and does not reflect the scale of the problem.

I see no reason to change, the order covers sensible points

All county council owned play areas, play grounds, playing fields, even if leased, should be subject to the order.

some people can be disgusting and not clean up after their dogs

However this is an ongoing issue where I live where people leave their dogs run off lead in the local park and do not pick up their mess despite notices saying that they should always be on lead and to pick up their mess. There are numerous signs saying no smoking but only 2 saying all dogs on lead. I am a responsible dog owner that does not leave my dog off lead in public spaces and always pick up their mess and on several occasions my dog has been attacked by aggressive dogs off lead however unless something is done to the perpetrators of such acts there is no point in having the order. It needs to be monitored and enforced.

I believe this needs to be extended as there is still a problem with dog fouling in town, especially recently in the football area in Parc Le Conquet. Dogs off leads in areas where there is livestock is also a continued problem with a serious incident occurring in Dinefwr not long ago. I had raised the question in a recent council meeting about increasing patrols and issuing fines to get on top of the problems so am keen to support this proposal.

I think all dogs should be kept on leads, too many accidents happen because of loose dogs and as a horse rider have been chased on many occasions by loose dogs, plus my small dog was attacked by a loose dog

Ensuring safety of all members of the public is paramount loose dogs are a threat to nervous humans, nervous dogs, cyclists and horse riders

Under the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 and CCC (Dog Control) Public Spaces Protection Order 2016 with regards to Part 2 - Dogs on leads by direction at point 8 does the authorised officer include members of the police service such as PCSO's? An enquiry was made earlier this year and the local PCSO's had not received training on this, therefore they were unable to implement the order and issue fines/FPN's for enforcing Part 1 - Dog fouling and Part 2 as issues were being reported in Betws Park. Under the orders would the Community Council be allowed to put up signage informing the public that dogs must be kept on a lead in a designated area? Either in the whole park or in a certain area within or exclude them from entering a certain area within the park?

After my driving pony being chased down by 4 collies for just walking by on a newly opened multi user track, I fully support dogs on leads in the circumstances. Myself & my groom were thrown out as my pony panicked, 4 dogs by his heels.

Public places should include rights of way.

While there is information on the county council website about dog controls, it would be very beneficial if the county council could develop a proactive community engagement strategy to better educate the public about the powers contained in the dog control order and how the public can play its part in actively reporting the behaviour of irresponsible dog owners. This would be very welcome to better inform the public. Thank you.

We think the Order covers all relevant topics relating to dog ownership, management and control.

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I suspect they'll all say to maintain the order as it is for another 3 years, but there's always the possibility, I suppose, of a Member making a specific comment that might be noteworthy. [There IS a play area, nowadays, at Red Roses, but I think measures are indeed in place to prevent dog issues occurring there].

are there any signs available

See attached document

Dog Fouling Checks are a must in areas

They have also been encouraged to reply to your online survey individually

At last evening's Full Council meeting of Llandybie Community Council it was agreed that full support be given to the renewal of the current Public Spaces Protection Order , but that additionally, an extra criteria be added for the further protection of individuals , namely that - all dogs be banned from playing fields which are set out for sporting activity ie sports pitches

That the Community Council would wish to see, and be involved in, further consultation regarding the introduction of measures requiring owners to keep their dogs on a lead whilst in its public parks.

Dog fouling is particularly obnoxious for wheelchair users as their hands are their feet when it comes to self-propulsion. Were it possible we would advocate harsher penalties for those who allow their dogs to foul public areas and that offenders should have to attend 'awareness' sessions as part of the penalty for offending?

The PDSA's 'Paw Report 2018' found that 89% of veterinary professionals believe that the welfare of dogs will suffer if owners are banned from walking their dogs in public spaces such as parks and beaches, or if dogs are required to be kept on leads in these spaces. Their report also states that 78% of owners rely on these types of spaces to walk their dog.

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You need to educate people not start a dog hate campaign.

I am a responsible dog owner who picks up my dog's faeces and there are many others in Whitland who do the same. It's very sad when those people who do pick up are penalised by those that don't.

Brechfa Forest has been designated as a tourist attraction. It is very popular with dog owners. There are no livestock present in the forest, but it is open access land so in theory the restriction that dogs have to be on a lead applies. but being able to allow their dogs to run off the lead is important to tourists. - In practice, it would be very difficult to enforce the legislation. The other issue with the legislation is the practicality of people enjoying the outdoor activities that do not involve walking. - For cyclists and horse riders, a requirement that our dogs have to be on a lead is impractical and dangerous. For these reasons, I think the dog control protection order needs to be revised making it impractical to extend the existing order.

Dogs should remain under control by their owners - this does not necessarily mean on a lead

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As a dog owner and a person who has a Diploma in dog psychology and behaviour I believe a blanket enforcement of dogs being kept on leads in public places is cruel and unnecessary. Dogs need to run free, use their noses and display natural roaming behaviour whilst out being exercised in order to remain healthy both mentally and physically. A typical dog off lead would cover at least twice the distance of its walking companion (human) when out walking. Restricting dogs to only walking at the speed of their owner, never being able to run free would lead to many dogs becoming obese and could also lead to mental anxiety due to frustration. I own and ride horses and to this day I have never been bothered by anyone's dog or dogs to a degree where I would deem this 'act' necessary. Recently I was the victim of a dog attack, where a Cane Corso (Italian Mastiff) weighing 50+kg, almost mauled to death one of my dogs, a chihuahua (weighing just 2kg), Both sets of dogs were off their leads and came into contact whilst on a narrow path whilst exiting the beach. This incident was reported to the police who did nothing about it at all, as it was a dog on dog attack and so in their opinion, not worthy of further intervention or prosecution. I have experienced first hand an 'out of control' very large breed dog, but I would still object to all dogs being forced to be on a lead in open public spaces for the reasons above. I walk my dogs on a public beach every day, several times a day and I see many other people out walking their dogs too, off lead, all behaving well and enjoying their surroundings. The incidents of dogs 'out of control' that occur are far too few to enforce all dog owners to adhere to such cruel and unnecessary measures as permanently tethering and restricting our loving and loyal canine friends to a human in public open spaces at all times! It is in my opinion an unnecessary act of extreme control for an all too infrequent issue. Punishing the many for the fault of the few.....

Dogs should not be kept on a lead in public places at all times.