

GREAT LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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PLEASE CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

A clean neighbourhood? We all want it. We can all help to achieve it.

No one likes dog mess. This leaflet explains how - as a responsible dog owner - you can do your bit by helping reduce dog mess on the streets, parks and open spaces in Great Linford Parish.

POOP SCOOPING AND THE LAW

Milton Keynes Council has designated the whole of their administrative area under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 as a poop scoop area. If on streets, paths or land, designated under the 1996 Act, you don't clear up after your dog, you may be issued with a fixed penalty notice of £50 and if you don't pay faced with being taken to Court where you could pay a fine up to £1,000.

Do not wait until the law makes you clear up

It is in everyone's interest that dog mess is not left lying where people might tread or sit in it.

WHAT SHOULD I DO WHEN I AM OUT WITH MY DOG?

If your dog needs to go while you're out, "**scoop the poop**". You can buy all sorts of different poop scoops cheaply at pet shops and some supermarkets. Great Linford Parish Council provide poop bags for a small fee, available from the Parish Office in Neath Hill. If you don't have a proper poop scoop with you, you can use a newspaper or plastic bag.

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH THE POOP SCOOP WHEN IT'S BEEN USED

Great Linford Parish Council has provided a limited number special red/green bins where you can put your used poop scoops or poop bags. They have to be handy to road access to enable them to be emptied regularly. Also, if you double bag the poop you can place it in any public bin.

However red bins cost at least £250 to install and around £300 a year each to empty once a week.

It is the Parish Councils policy to only provide a very limited number of poo bins adjacent sports grounds, parkland areas or close to schools. No one wants them outside their house do they? A list of locations is available from the Parish Office and on the web site www.great-linford.gov.uk.

If there are no bins around, take the poop scoop home and dispose of it in your black household refuse sack

Milton Keynes Council recommends that you wrap the used poop scoops or poop bags in another plastic bag and dispose of it in your household waste black bag.

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