DOG CONTROL ORDERS

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Responsible Dog Ownership Coordinator
• Residents, Friends of Parks, Police and dog walkers have told us they are concerned about the growing number of dogs causing problems in public places. This might involve dog fouling, being out of control or being off lead and causing a nuisance.

• For the past two years the Council has worked with the RSPCA, Battersea Dogs Home, Wood Green Animal Shelter, Police, Homes for Haringey, Friends of Parks and residents to promote responsible dog ownership.

• We know that most dog owners in the borough behave responsibly but what can we do about those who don’t?

• In October 2012 Cabinet approved a report proposing the introduction of Dog Control Orders in Haringey. Dog Control Orders will come into effect on the 1st April 2013.
Types of Dog Control Orders

- The types of Dog Control Orders that have been implemented are as follows:
  - Designating places where dogs can be walked freely without a lead
  - Designating places where dogs will be excluded
  - Designating places where dogs can be walked with a lead
  - Powers for authorised officers to instruct owners to place their dog on a lead when instructed
  - Borough-wide order making it an offence to fail to clean up after your dog.
  - An order to limit the number of dogs that can be walked by an individual where dogs are required to be on a lead.
Dogs walked freely without a lead

- This will be all large parks (over half a hectare) being areas where dogs may be walked or exercised off lead. For eg half a football pitch is equivalent to half a hectare.
Dog Exclusion (areas where dogs cannot go at all)

- This Order will ban dogs from all public play grounds, sports courts, games areas and marked pitches in our parks and open spaces, including Homes for Haringey land.
Walked with lead (where dogs must be on a lead at all times)

- This Order will require dogs to be kept on a lead on all public roads and footways, all public car parks, small areas of public land, parks and open spaces of less than half a hectare and all Homes for Haringey land.
Dogs to be placed on lead when instructed to do so (by an Authorised Officer)

- This order is for the whole borough. It includes all public land, including that controlled by Homes for Haringey. It allows an authorised officer or a police officer to instruct that a dog be put on a lead, when necessary.
Dog Fouling

- This Order will cover the whole borough including all public highways, parks and open spaces and Homes for Haringey land.

Clean up after your dog

www.haringey.gov.uk/dogs

or risk penalty of £80

To report problems with dog fouling and irresponsible dog owners call:

T: 020 8489 1335

www.haringey.gov.uk

Haringey Council
Limit the number of dogs an individual can walk

- This Dog Control Order will restrict the number of dogs an individual can walk in a designated area at any time. In line with DEFRA guidelines the Council will restrict the number of dogs that can be walked by a single individual in a dog control area to six (professional dog walkers should consult the DEFRA guidelines).
Other Signs

• Recreation Services have their own signs for parks and open spaces which give the same messages and use the same symbols.
Other Signs
Enforcement

• Authorised officers will have the ability to issue a £80 FPN for non compliance
• There will be joint patrols by the Police and Authorised officers
• Intelligence from members of the public and other resources will be used to identify offenders and offending hotspots. Once these individuals and places have been identified joint enforcement Teams will target them to bring about compliance