

Chairman's Announcement - Dog Fouling

Over the last year or so we have received a number of issues relating to dog fouling especially in Malmesbury, so I think it is useful to remind everyone of their responsibilities:

Most dog owners are responsible and clean up after their dogs by bagging the mess and placing it in a suitable waste bin. In some areas there are specific bins for dog waste however it is now perfectly acceptable to dispose of the mess in ordinary bins. This makes this important task even easier.

For the small minority who fail to clean up after their dog has fouled, please remember that this not only shows a lack of respect for other people who share our communities but it is also a criminal offence.

If you observe someone committing this offence, please report it to by calling 0300 456 0100 or e mailing tradingstandards@wiltshire.gov.uk. If the person responsible for failing to clean up after their dog cannot be identified, enforcement action cannot be taken. The dog warden will need to know the name and address of the offender, if at all possible, and other information such as; the time, place, description of the offender and a description of the dog. The more information you are able to give about the event, the better.