

### What are the benefits to you?

Being involved will help to reduce the problem of irresponsible dog walkers not picking up after their dog.

“A more pleasant, disease free area for everyone to live, work and play.”

### What can you do to help?

Get involved! The success of the scheme relies on local people. You may know who the offenders are, and by reporting them to the council, can help put a stop to the problem.

If you are a dog walker please pick up after your dog. The bagged dog waste can be disposed of in any litter bin.

### To report dog fouling

If you see someone not picking up after their dog the following information will be helpful to us:

-  where the dog fouling took place 
-  the date and time of day fouling took place 
-  description of the dog walker and the dog(s) 
-  name and address of dog walker if known 

If dog fouling is happening early hours/late at night and you don't see it happening, you can still report it to us.

### CONTACT US ON:

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# ABOUT DOG WATCH AREAS

Preston City Council has been operating Dog Watch Areas since 2003. The council aims to reduce the amount of dog fouling on the streets of Preston by encouraging local residents to work with us to tackle the problem in their neighbourhood.

A Dog Watch Area can be either an area of adjoining streets or a particular street where there is a lot of dog fouling.



## Why your street has been made a Dog Watch Area

Last year there were too many dog fouling complaints in the area where you live. These complaints came from local residents, councillors and dog walkers. Based on these complaints and the knowledge of the Dog Welfare Officer it has been decided to declare the area as a Dog Watch Area.

## What will living in a Dog Watch Area mean for you?

The Dog Welfare Service will:

-  Put up signs in the area with the Dog Watch Area logo.
-  Send you a newsletter every 6 months. This will tell you what we have been doing in the area, about dog fouling, our attendance at local community and Police And Communities Together meetings (PACT).
-  Patrol the area to check the amount of dog fouling, that signs are still in place and listen to your concerns. These patrols can be by either foot, bike or van.
-  Serve Fixed Penalty Notices on persons not picking up after their dog.
-  Provide dog walkers with poop scoop bags.
-  Visit local schools in the area and talk to children about responsible dog ownership.
-  Issue our *'Take a minute...Grab it, Bag it, Bin it!'* cards with details of the information we need to tackle dog fouling.
-  Ensure confidentiality when you make reports of dog fouling or details of irresponsible dog walkers.
-  Regularly review whether the area needs to keep it's Dog Watch Area status.