



BRAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

# THE BRAUNTON EXPRESS

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## Dogs in the Recreation Ground Consultation

There have been some strong opinions from residents regarding dogs being off the lead in the Recreation Ground. The signs ask owners to keep dogs on the lead and stick to the footpath as well as obviously picking up dog mess.

We are carrying out a consultation to decide whether dogs should be allowed or not. The issues are:

- a) People avoiding using the recreation ground due to loose dogs as they are scared of dogs*
- b) Concerns regarding the safety of dog mess residue and the risks of the parasite Toxocara canis which can lead to blindness.*
- c) Stepping in dog mess left on the rec*
- d) Dogs disturbing games and other users of the rec.*

We obviously want to do what is best for the community as a whole.

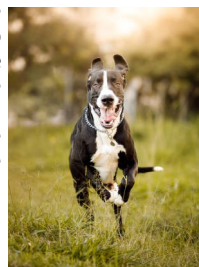
We are asking whether we should:

- i) YES Ban dogs outright (Enforceable)**
- ii) NO continue to allow dogs to be walked through the recreation ground on a lead.**

Please pop in to the office or email us at [info@brauntonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@brauntonparishcouncil.gov.uk) answering the above with your views. Alternatively you can collect a form from the Parish Council Office, library or Tops n Tails pet shop. We will also be posting on social media.

It is to be noted that if the Council decide to allow to continue dogs to be walked on a lead in the rec, the Council may still consider a ban in the future if people continue to ignore the signage.

Thank you.



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## Meetings Calendar 2025

Full Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and additional meetings, to primarily consider planning applications, are held virtually.

**The next Councillor Surgery will be held in the Parish Hall at 10.30am on Saturday 6th September 2025.**

**Full Council Meeting  
7pm Tuesday 12th August 2025**

**Additional Council Meeting  
7pm Tuesday 26th August 2025**



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## NEXT COUNCILLOR SURGERY

Parish Hall, 10.30am Saturday 6th September



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