

<b>Meeting</b>	Parks and Open Spaces Committee
<b>Date</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
<b>Report Title</b>	Enclosed Green Space for Dogs
<b>Agenda Reference</b>	15
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### Officer's Recommendation

1. To agree on a suitable location for the Officers to investigate.

### Dog Area

The Council has received a request from two residents to consider creating fenced spaces specifically for dogs to exercise. This would allow dogs to run free, interact with other dogs and separate them from open space users. The suggestion is to use open space areas such as Stonecrop Way, Winterbourne Road / Capesthorne Drive and Heaton Cl.

The areas would require timber and wire fencing, a gate with dog proof catch, signage, and a dog bin.

### Finances

The cost of the fencing would be in the region of £7,300.00 if carried out by an external contractor and £3,744.00 if the work was carried out by the internal Parks & Open Spaces Team.

Some small items, such as signage and a dog bin, can be purchased within this financial year.

The dog agility proposal previously taken to Council on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020, was not progressed due to other large projects and therefore the money was unspent and does not feature in next year's budget.

This could be a budget aspiration for 2023-2024.