## Dogs on-leash in public places

By law dogs must be on a leash in all public places unless within a designated dog off-leash area. Penalties apply.

Our public spaces and parks can be enjoyed by everyone if we use them correctly.



You may not have noticed the young family who came to the park and then had to leave because they didn't feel comfortable entering while your dog was off leash.


All dogs, regardless of breed, have the potential to react if they feel threatened. If your dog is attacked, having close control of your dog on a leash may help you react quickly and potentially prevent serious injury.


Some adults and children are fearful of dogs, regardless of how friendly or well-trained yours may be. They have a right to enjoy our parks without dogs freely running up to, or near them.


Not all dogs like to interact with other dogs. Some owners choose to walk their dog in an ON-leash area in order to avoid other dogs. Your dog may be at risk if it approaches.

