

# Animal Welfare Team

## Dog Control Orders in Coventry Final Report: Findings from public consultation regarding minor amendments to designated areas of 5 parks – March 2016.

The Council conducted a wide reaching public consultation on the proposed minor amendments to the new Dog Control Orders (DCOs) in 5 of the city's parks.

Members of the public could complete an on-line survey, regarding the proposed amendments to the Orders.

Businesses and animal charities were emailed directly to inform them of the consultation and how to take part.

The following report indicates the headline results from each of the tick box questions where respondents were asked primarily whether they agreed or disagreed with the minor amendments to 5 of the city's parks.

This final report be presented to Cabinet on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016, when the decision whether to implement the amendments to the Dog Control Orders will be taken.

### **Response Rate**

The survey ran from 9th February to 20th March 2016.

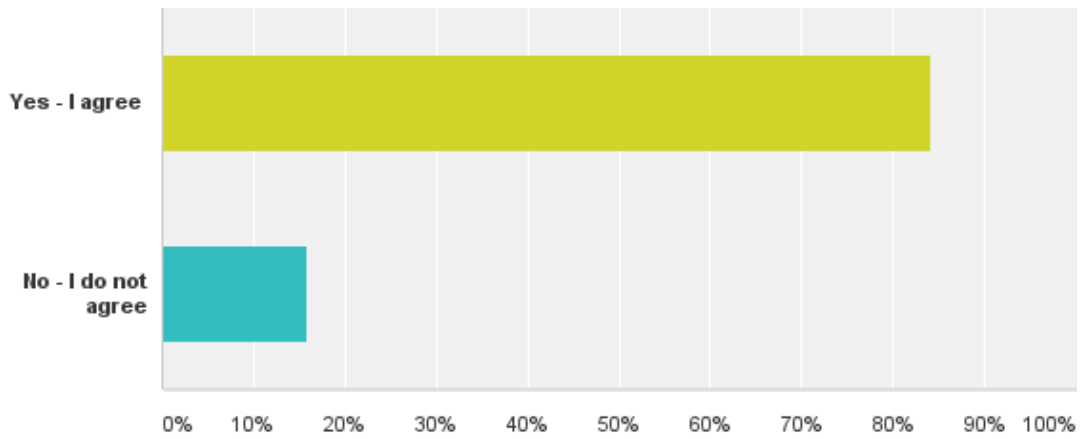
175 responses were received.

### **The survey asked the following questions**

#### **Q1: Memorial Park.**

**There are two lead paths to the visitor centre currently signed 'dog on lead'. We propose to remove this restriction because it has caused confusion to dog walkers. Do you support this proposal? Note. The visitor centre and the pathway surrounding the visitor centre, will remain as 'dog on lead' areas.**

Answered: 189 Skipped: 6

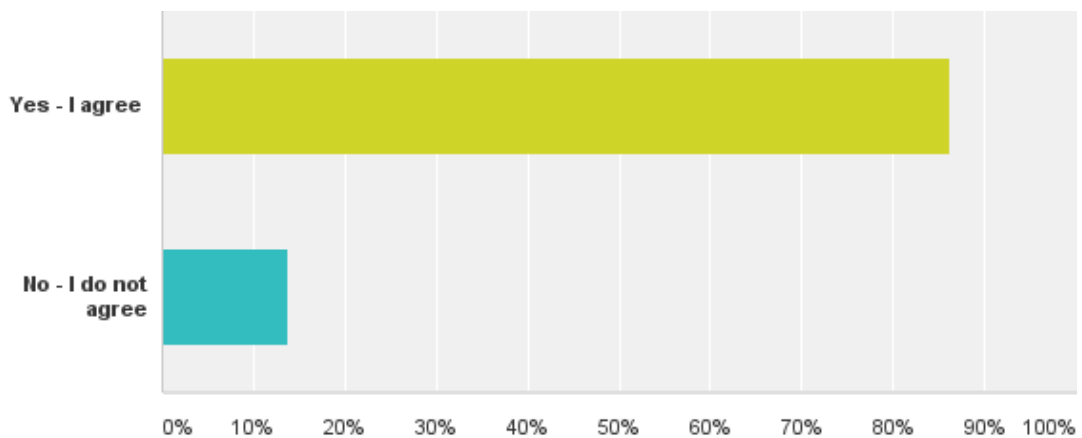


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes - I agree	84.13% 159
No - I do not agree	15.87% 30
<b>Total</b>	<b>189</b>

**Q2: Caludon Park.**

**The areas of the park, where the castle remains are situated are currently a 'dog on lead' area. We are unable to use signage on an ancient scheduled monument and therefore, for practical reasons, we propose to remove the 'dog on lead' restriction. Do you support this proposal?**

Answered: 181 Skipped: 14

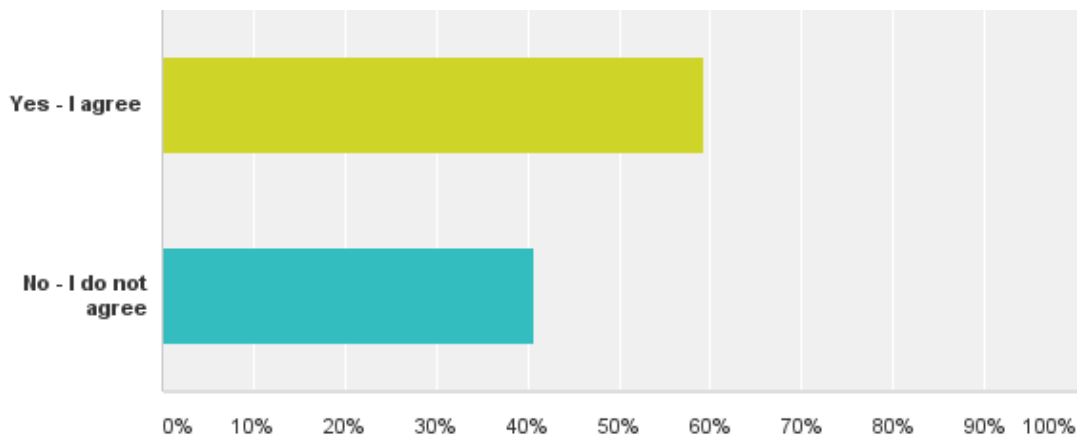


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes - I agree	86.19% 156
No - I do not agree	13.81% 25
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>

**Q3: Barras Park.**

The fenced seated garden area of the park is currently ‘dog exclusion’. This is an area which has suffered damage by dogs. Some local dog walkers have requested that they be allowed to take their dogs into this area. It is proposed to keep this fenced garden as a ‘dog exclusion’ zone. Do you support this stance?

Answered: 174 Skipped: 21

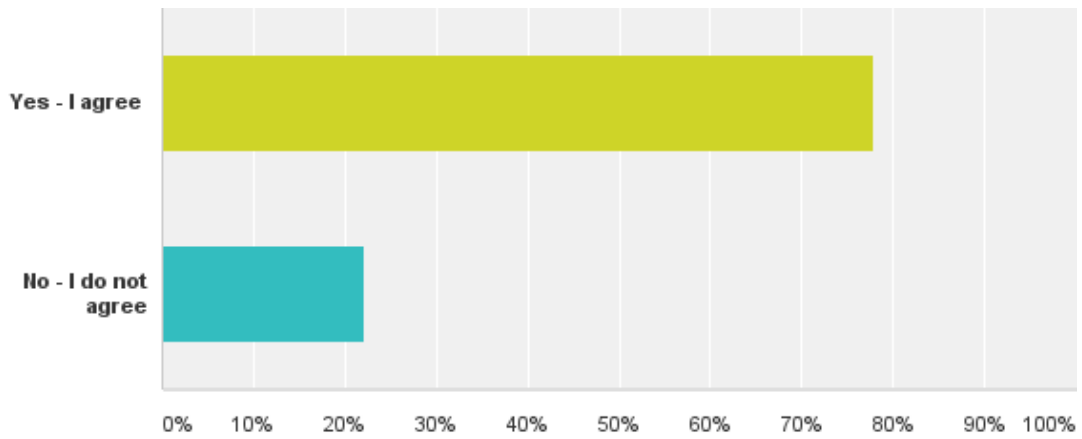


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes - I agree	59.20% 103
No - I do not agree	40.80% 71
<b>Total</b>	<b>174</b>

**Q4: Longford Park.**

The large field containing the children’s play area is currently ‘dog on lead’. It is proposed to reduce the size of this ‘dog on lead area’. Do you support this change?

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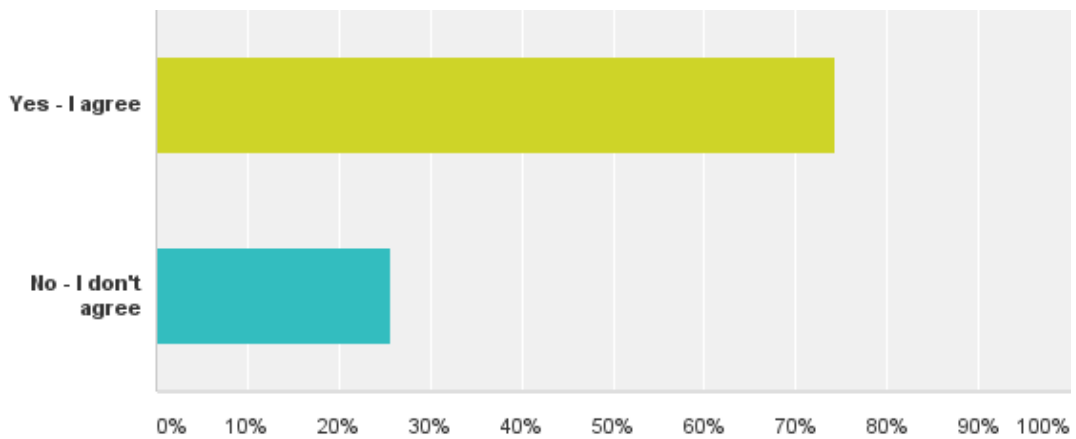


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes - I agree	77.91% 134
No - I do not agree	22.09% 38
<b>Total</b>	<b>172</b>

**Q5: Allesley Park.**

**There are no plans to change any of the restrictions currently in place. Do you support this stance?**

Answered: 172 Skipped: 23



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes - I agree	74.42% 128
No - I don't agree	25.58% 44
<b>Total</b>	<b>172</b>



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