

## APPENDIX 1 to minutes of 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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### SUMMARY VIEWS FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND PUBLIC ATTENDEES AT A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 27<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

#### DOGS ONTO THE CONEY WESTON PLAYING FIELD

**NB – These views and suggestions are in no particular order and represent the views and suggestions of both the Parish Council and residents alike**

1. Some children are genuinely afraid of dogs and allowing them onto the playing field area would scare them and therefore they are less likely to use the facility.
2. The Parish Council do not have the authority to make this decision – it is up to the Trustees of the Playing Field Committee to make the decision and enact it.
3. Dogs should be allowed only on the recreation area, not in the fenced off area of the playing arena.
4. Dogs are an important part of family life – a lot of children benefit from having and interacting with dogs.
5. Some leads are extendable which would allow the dog a much longer rein to use the area.
6. Dog fouling has already been seen on the playing field area.
7. The purchase of a dog mess bin would cost approximately £150 – a cost which would be bourn by the Playing Field Committee.
8. A contract to empty the bin could cost approximately £170 p.a. which would also be the responsibility of the Playing Field Committee.
9. Parish Councillors voted 2 against and 3 in favour (on leads) for allowing dogs on the Playing Field area.
10. Suggestion to have a 6 month trial if the Trustees decide to allow dogs on the area.

These views to be presented to the Playing Field Committee for their information.