

MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

Maintenance Committee meeting : 15 September 2022

We have received reports about dogs in The Moor play park. Keith has put up a additional 'no dog'. Hopefully this will help to remind people not to take their dogs in to the park and The Moor will soon be closed for the refit.

Interestingly, we don't get similar complaints about dogs in Clear Crescent. The problem seems to be the play area being directly adjacent to the New Rec. Perhaps **really** clear signage on the entrance to the park from the New Rec would be helpful.

Below is an extract from the gov.uk website on public spaces protection orders:

Public spaces protection order

Councils can use a public spaces protection order (PSPO) to place restrictions on a public area, such as a park or a town centre. Restrictions can apply to either:

- all dog owners
- owners who meet specific conditions set out by the council

Councils can make a PSPO unless they're:

- ***a parish or town council in England a***
- community council in Wales

PSPO restrictions include:

- limiting how many dogs can be walked by an owner at one time requiring dogs to
- be on a lead in a specific public area
- requiring owners to pick up their dog's litter
- preventing dogs from being in a certain place, eg a children's play area in a park

A PSPO lasts up to 3 years and can be renewed.