
Kirkbymoorside Town Council

Information for the meeting on Monday 20 July 2026

10. Play Areas

- d. To receive a complaint regarding dogs off the lead in Old Road play area and consider installation of additional signage**

Dear Sirs

I wonder if it would be possible to have a rethink on the signage in the Childrens play park on Old Road stating 'dogs must be kept on a lead at all times'? They are too small and not enough of them clearly. Today whilst sat in the shade with my disabled daughter, her friend and her friends mum a large white dog came bounding up behind us and scared us all to death. My daughter was crying and I was physically shaking. The dogs head was right next to us as we tried to get up in a panic. The other family were also scared and visibly shaken. The man caught up with his dog and got it away but then instead of putting it on a lead and removing it from the park he then proceeded to play catch with his large bull terrier looking dog!

We packed up our stuff as our daughters were scared and didn't want to stay, and we left because the man was showing no signs of leaving. As we left I noted the dog warden number and left a message. It does say dogs should be on a lead but the signs I do not feel are anywhere near big enough and also there should be more as you go through the gate from the skate park into the play park.

Please can this be brought up/considered at the next meeting? There are frequently dogs in that park which I find astounding and I actually cannot think of another Childrens play park I have ever been to where dogs are allowed?? We didn't say anything as he was the one with the power and the dog and in previous occasions when I have asked people to please put their dog on a lead I have just got a mouthful of abuse.



Proposed additional signage throughout the play area



DOG WALKERS PLEASE KEEP TO THE PUBLIC FOOTPATH DOGS MUST BE ON THE LEAD

The public footpath runs from the main entrance at the junction of Old Road and Howe End along the hedge to the gate behind the toddler play area.



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Revised signage at main entrance from Old Road and small entrance behind toddler play area.



NO ENTRY FOR DOG WALKERS PLEASE USE THE MAIN ENTRANCE DOGS ARE PERMITTED ONLY ON THE PUBLIC FOOTPATH

The public footpath runs from the main entrance, at the junction of Old Road and Howe End, along the hedge to the gate behind the toddler play area.



PLEASE HELP KEEP THIS AREA SAFE

Incidents involving criminal or anti-social behaviour, including irresponsible dog owners must be reported to **101** and the Police can then access CCTV footage
Please report all other issues to the Town Council



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Revised signage at main entrance from Swineherd Lane