



**Councillor Gordon Matheson MA MCIPD FRSA**

**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

**Phone 0800 027 7027**

Dear Householder

**Ward 18 - Dennistoun - Dog Fouling Initiative**

I am writing to you in response to a number of recent complaints that have been received regarding dog fouling in and around Whitehill Secondary and St. Denis' Primary School and surrounding streets due to the fact many dog owners are not picking up their dog mess.

This is clearly an unacceptable situation and one which threatens the health of the local community, particularly young children.

It is a priority of this council to make sure our public spaces are clean and safe and so I am asking for your help to work with me to improve the situation.

You should remember that if you allow a dog in your control to foul without disposing of it in an acceptable manner then you are liable for a fixed penalty ticket. If you have a dog and it messes in a public place, it is your responsibility to dispose of the mess.

In the coming weeks the council will be stepping up the enforcement activity in your area. This will include Enforcement Officers actively monitoring the area for dog fouling offenders and issuing £40 fixed penalty tickets on the spot, as well as the use of CCTV and stronger action to ensure that people pay fines when they are issued.

We would like to encourage you to support the initiative by providing us with information about irresponsible dog owners. If you have information that would help us identify those responsible for the dog fouling problem then please free phone the Clean Glasgow hotline **0800 027 7027**, with the following information:

- Name of dog owner, if known;
- Address of dog owner, if known;
- Time and location of offence, and
- Description of owner and dog.

This letter has been issued to all householders in Garthland Drive, Finlay Drive and surrounding streets.

I look forward to working with you to make Dennistoun a safer, cleaner place.

Yours faithfully

Councillor Gordon Matheson  
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