

Garff Parish District Commissioners
Draft Garff Dog Control Byelaws 2023
Public Consultation 8th March 2023 to 20th April 2023

Garff Parish District Commissioners hereby gives notice that it has prepared draft dog control byelaws following liaison with the Department of Infrastructure Local Government Unit and the Attorney General's Chambers.

The Commission now seeks the views of the population of Garff District (Laxey, Lonan, and Maughold) on the draft byelaws which are due to be brought before Tynwald in due course.

Copies of the draft Byelaws are available to view as follows: -

The Commissioners website <https://www.garff.im>

- In person at the Commissioners' Office, 35 New Road, Laxey IM4 7BG between 9.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday inclusive.
- Copies can also be requested and sent by post or email by contacting the Commissioners' Office.
- The Commissioners will consider any submissions made in writing regarding the byelaws no later than 12.00pm on Thursday 20th April 2023.

Submissions should be clearly marked with the title "Garff Dog Control Byelaws 2023" and sent for the attention of:

Martin Royle
Deputy Clerk
Garff Parish District Commissioners
35 New Road
Laxey
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Or by email to admin@garff.im

Further clarification of the above is provided overleaf:

Dog Byelaw Consultation 2023 – Additional Clarification

The Commissioners consultation for reviewing the draft Garff Dog Control Byelaws is now open (08.03.23).

The closing date for returning comments to the Commissioners' Office is 20th April 2023. The Commissioners and Local Government Unit will consider the consultation responses from Garff residents and amend the draft document as deemed appropriate.

The Commissioners have the authority to make Dog Byelaws under Section 24 of the Dog Act 1990. The previous Laxey Commissioners' Byelaws can be viewed on the Garff Commissioners' Byelaws: webpage – <https://www.garff.im/notices/laxey-dog-byelaws/>

Principal Amendments

In regard to Laxey Village the draft Byelaws are very similar to the previous Byelaws with changes on the Southern section of Laxey Beach which is proposed to be an area where dog owners must 'pick-up' faeces; there will be no exclusion restrictions in this area at any time of the year.

The controls on the Northern section of the beach will remain as in the previous Byelaws (see <https://www.garff.im/notices/laxey-dog-byelaws/>).

There are also provisions in the draft to exclude dogs from the grounds of Laxey and Dhoon Schools, the Laxey Football Club pitch, and from all the play areas in Laxey, Lonan, and Maughold. There are other newly proposed restrictions at Dhoon Arboretum, The Corony/Cronk Cardle Estate, and in Maughold Village.

All highways and pavements in Garff are also included in the draft Byelaws as 'pick-up' zones.

More detailed clarification is contained in the text and maps in the draft Garff Dog Control Byelaws 2023 document which can be accessed by the accompanying link and on the homepage of the Commissioners' website www.garff.im.

Confidentially and Data Protection

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