

## The request:-

You will see the paragraph on dog pooh! What is evident is that there isn't a dog pooh bin anywhere along the footpath that comes out onto Quarry Bank next to Harvest House. There is one across the road and down a bit where the telephone exchange is, but this is inconvenient and not obvious! There is a place next to a telegraph post adjacent to the gate to the footpath in front of Harvest House that might be suitable. Is this a Parish or County matter? Do we have the funds and who would empty it? It would be good if we could show that we are being pro-active??

## And a bit of background:-

I have again had a couple of complaints about dogs and their pooh. This is particularly bad, especially where there were once open fields that have now been fenced. Instead of having large fields for dogs to run around in, if the paths are restricted by being fenced then the available space is drastically reduced and a greater social awareness is necessary of the nuisance caused by dogs fouling. Two places in particular, one from Quarry Bank through to Inn Lane and the other from Quarry Bank down to Chadwick Lane through the new asparagus fields. If owners "exercise" their dogs on the same walk each day and do NOT pick up and dispose of their Pooh, then it becomes an increasing problem. Easy to work out, 7 X walks per week, say 4 owners regularly "exercising" their dogs = 28 "deposits" per week!! One of the complainants was a dog owner, this person has kindly agreed to spray the offending deposits with high vis spray paint, hopefully to bring home to the offending owners the extent of the problem they are contributing to. Some of our footpaths are not in the middle of the Country here and it is no longer acceptable for owners to let dogs foul without clearing it up. I have requested some notices from County that say "There is no Pooh fairy that cleans up after dogs!" I hope to have these signs within the next few weeks!!

## And the costs:-

Bin - £325.37

Fitting - £20.87

Cleaning (x 2 per year) - £4.84

Emptying - £59.80 (This is the annual charge based on one empty per week, if you require twice weekly please just double the amount)

Admin @ 20% - It's applied to the first bill which covers the bin, fitting cleaning and the first years emptying costs and that's it.