

## Dog Fouling Incident Report Form

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<b>Date of offence:</b>	
<b>Time of offence:</b>	
<b>Location of offence:</b>	
<b>Description of the dog:</b>	
<b>Description of the owner:</b>	
<b>Address of the owner:</b>	
<b>Car registration of the owner (if known):</b>	
<b>**PLEASE NOTE**</b>	
<p>In order for a complaint to be logged with Mendip District Council Enforcement Office, all of the above information must be completed. You must be prepared to make a written witness statement although your details will not be disclosed. However, you must be prepared to give evidence in Court if the matter is disputed. Without the statement no action can be pursued.</p> <p>This will enable the enforcement team to follow protocol by sending out warning letters to offenders making them aware that if the issue is not addressed and they are reported again then they run the risk of receiving a Community Protection Notice being issued. A CPN could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice (£100 fine) or a prosecution for breach. Breach is a criminal offence which could receive a fine of between £2500 to £20000 for bodies.</p> <p>Coleford Parish Council encourages the public NOT to put themselves in danger when dealing with any Dog offences or whilst gaining intelligence in order to complete this form.</p> <p>This form can be sent direct to Ian Glover, Mendip Enforcement Officer <a href="mailto:Ian.Glover@mendip.gov.uk">Ian.Glover@mendip.gov.uk</a> / 01749 341 532 or to the Parish Clerk at <a href="mailto:clerkcolefordsomerset@gmail.com">clerkcolefordsomerset@gmail.com</a> / 01749 880428</p>	
<b>Name of Witness:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Signed:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

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For your information:

Ian Glover, MDC Enforcement Officer has confirmed that if a member of the public takes the trouble to stand up and be counted then he will progress an enquiry as far as he can. He also states:

- Any witness statement is written on the understanding that the witness is prepared to attend court.

- The witness' details are not made public.

- If he uses ASB legislation then the witness is protected from intimidation or threats under s.51 Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994.

The police can arrest for breaches of that legislation – it gives a certain protective umbrella for that person.

If you wish to discuss a complaint or any aspect of this statement then call the Parish Clerk, Vickie Watts on 07971 516916