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<p>I just want to add that Beaverton desperately needs a dog park. There are two large areas at the fairgrounds for horses and right now people let their dogs off leash and I've had dogs run right up to my (leashed) dog. I think beaverton has way more dogs that could make use of a dog park than horses that could and do make use of the two fenced in horse corrals.</p>	<p>Wouldn't use a dog park.....people complain about regular parks not being kept to their satisfaction, why add more to the tax bill. People need to think dog ownership through before acquiring one, if you don't have room for a dog to run on your own property perhaps you shouldn't consider a dog.</p>	<p>Township maintains</p>	<p>Should be a public park no fees</p>
	<p>If a few is associated to have a place to exercise your dog, people will find other spots and it won't get used</p>		<p>No fees. Use tax money</p>
<p>A large space with grass and a few trees for shade is ideal. Bradford's Conservation Area Dog Park is an excellent example (large area with trees and a small walking trail. The newer ones in Georgina (fairly small enclosure) and Innisfil (gravel ground is hard on dog's feet) are, in my opinion, examples that are not ideal and likely see fewer users as a result.</p>	<p>Dog parks are notoriously a bad idea for communities and dog owners. There are far more accidents then pleasures. It is disease infested and you cannot guarantee the behaviour of other dogs. Most vets and animal professionals do not feel it is a good idea and they are never able to be enforced properly. A huge issue for any Township. Regardless what the decision is, guaranteed to cause more issues then worth. Volunteer groups come and go.</p>	<p>Dog parks are wonderful BUT...the same negligent owners who don't pick up and ignore lease laws will ignore size restrictions within the park, not pick up, not be up to date on vaccines, not have dogs under totally recall. Water is important but a water source can be a source of disease among dogs drinking at a communal source because of ill dogs or ill wildlife. Better to bring your own water source. I'd rather see funds spent to enforce leash laws etc that are currently in place. Would not support.</p>	<p>Between paying licensing fees and property taxes an extra charge for a dog park should not be necessary.</p>
<p>We want one soooo bad! We live in Cannington and would love for our dog to be able to run somewhere with all the</p>	<p>As a dog owner, everything I hear, see and read about municipal dog parks is negative. And if regular daily</p>	<p>How many dog owners would actually use a dog park? Surveys may not necessarily</p>	<p>Entrance or membership fees really segregates low income dog owners and makes the park unavailable to all dog owners</p>

<p>other dogs in the neighborhood! We currently drive to Uxbridge or Lindsay to go to the dog park and would love one closer</p>	<p>maintenance isn't undertaken, they can be unhealthy environments for your dog. I'm also skeptical of the care and control many dog owners have with off leash pets. I don't support property tax money paying for this specific increased staff position</p>	<p>give the answers you are looking for. Most responsible dog owners have backyards that are fenced. The cost associated with building, maintaining, insurance etc should NOT be a burden to the tax payers. There are more issues in this township than to discuss a pilot project on a dog park. I hope common sense prevails, 3 dog parks in 3 towns at what cost for how many dogs?</p>	
<p>Great idea</p>	<p>No interest in a dog park</p>		<p>depending on what the fees would be</p>

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<p>If you are going to have a dog park it should not be in the fairgrounds of beaverton. We are just going to end up with all the dog s— from everywhere else. We have the supportive housing to deal with. Put it in there back yard or would the dog walkers not want to go near it. This is just going to be another tax grab where ever it goes.</p>	<p>The township does not need a dog park! Such a waste of land and \$</p>	<p>Just as a separate note: I used to live in Ottawa and the best dog park I have ever been to is Bruce Pit. I would suggest a similar model for Brock where it is totally fenced in, but a trail rather than just a big open space of grass. Much nicer and more enriching for both the dogs and their humans.</p>	<p>Taxes should covers the expenses. I would like to know what the cost of maintenance would be. Can't be that much.</p>
<p>I think that having a dog park is very important for the community. I think the fairgrounds would be a great place for dogs. Boaters would be able to take advantage of this area when at the harbour. Most other communities, Brechin, Port Perry, Uxbridge Orillia, Lindsay have dog parks.</p>	<p>I don't support a dog park because people are already irresponsible with dogs being loose and not following bylaws</p>	<p>Maintained by the township</p>	<p>I don't think membership or entrance fees are a good idea. Have bylaw officers ticket for offleash dogs at Lions Loop and let it pay for an off leash park (elsewhere). In tired of dodging poop and being told "he/she is friendly" when I'm standing between their dog and mine. I don't go to off leash parks because our dog hates having dogs run up to her.</p>
	<p>Don't do it we don't need one</p>		<p>Should be supported by taxes only.</p>
	<p>Our dog trainer advises against using dog parks due to risk. Suggest to onslut with Brelmar Vet as well.</p>	<p>Would be good to understand how other municipalities provide/manage a dog park. Preference is for a grass surface, not dirt.</p>	<p>How would you monitor who uses it for entrance / paid membership?</p>
	<p>I am not in favour of our tax dollars being used to build or run a dog park.</p>		<p>I would not support fees for use of the park and will not use it if there is a fee.</p>

<p>This should be managed by the township so there is regular cleaning. I pay taxes for schools with no kids in school so a dog park should also be paid within taxes. There should be a dog park in every town not just one.</p>	<p>I think at this time with our current economy we should be focusing on more important things that will benefit all of Brock residents. Plus, IMO dogs parks are potentially dangerous for dogs and owners. Many people and dogs have been injured in dog parks.</p>	<p>as long as my taxes did not increase due to this, I would be in favour of a dog park. however not everyone has dogs or likes dogs so why should they have to pay for their neighbours? if entrance fee, who would collect? if you volunteer, how would it work? Entrance fee would be the best solutions so only those using it would have to pay.</p>	<p>If entrance or membership fees are required they should be minimal</p>
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	Should not be a dog park period		I don't feel people should pay to use it. I would not contribute as I would not use it.
	Please do not put in an off-leash dog park. I am a veterinarian, we already see so many cases related to dog parks-infectious diseases, dog fights, exposure (heat stroke, frost bite), soft tissue injuries, etc-please do not put one in.	If created within an existing park area (fenced) then other than the fence there should be limited additional maintenance. Grass cutting (which would need to be done anyways) otherwise maybe a post with some poop bags (\$) and a garbage can.	I've never been to a dog park with fees associated with using the facilities
	I do not support a dog park. I would rather that budget go to developing more trail systems in nature that everyone can use, or more parks (for people, and of course dogs benefit from this as well)! This is coming from a dog lover and owner. Not to mention dog parks have a ton of issues.	It should be run by the township. No fees, or entrance fees. The township has money. It supports 3 arenas it doesn't need. 1 arena is enough. Lets spread money around to other groups.	No fee. It is important to have a dog park for our cherished pets. But I think money should come from donations or animal services like vets, humane society, etc, those services that care about animals. Also, some people who own dogs may not have the money to pay membership or entrance fees so the park could become a discriminatory one.
	No, I would not use the dog park. I've went to one before and my very small dog was ambushed by much larger dogs. They are not safe for ALL dogs. I will continue to keep using the Lions Loop which is controlled and on leash.	None of the other dog parks in Durham Region have fees involved. They are free for the public to use. I do recommend that they are closely monitored and rules are in place for dogs who are not fixed. Male non-neutered dogs over 6 months of age can release high levels of testosterone which risk the	No cost to dog owners.

		safety of their dog and other dogs in the park due to aggressive behaviour. Females should not be allowed at the park during heat, or just before/after.	
	To many dogs run loose now in town, no bylaw around anytime so it will be the same with dog park, no one will watch them dogs will get hurt or people. It's a bad idea		75 and mobility limitations so no volunteering. Definitely comfortable supporting thru' taxes.
	Dog parks are dangerous and I do not support		Our tax dollars should not be spent on this. The users should cover ALL costs.
	No I would not support it at all.		Municipality funded

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I just wanted to add that I've been hoping and dreaming for a dog park since I've lived here in Cannington! My dog would have loved one and really benefitted from one. I've always thought that the lot in my subdivision would be an ideal place, right by the creek. This large open area of only grass in my subdivision just begs for either a dog park or playground for the kids! I live on Heron Drive and forget what my subdivision is called...Barkley? The lot is at the end of Meadowlands, near the creek. Anyway, if you could	I feel that dog parks carry a lot of risk with individuals bringing dogs that might not have the appropriate social skills to participate in a social environment as well as might not have the appropriate veterinary care to be socializing without risks of disease. Should the town move forward with a dog park I feel that charging a membership fee for those that use the facility would be more fair than an increase in property taxes to support it but also feel it needs to be managed by the town with	I am filling out this form as I wanted an opportunity to comment on Dog parks. The questions so far have not left an opportunity to do so.  Every time we drive by the 'dog park' in Uxbridge, we are so impressed! - First and foremost, is the excellent location, on the edge of town, nowhere near housing or parkland, therefore not impacting the local citizens. ( no noise, no odours, and no messes left behind to walk in) It is a large fenced area with lots of parking. I assume that there have been donations over time as there is a	At no other dog park in Durham region do you have to pay to enter or volunteer. Why would we be any different? That is a complete bias!!

<p>consider this I'd appreciate it! Thank you!</p>	<p>an employee whom has a background in the veterinary industry to check for vaccines history to ensure we are not encouraging the spread of disease (especially zoonotic diseases like leptospirosis) and to figure out a way to create a behaviour profile to ensure dogs with appropriate behaviour skills are enjoying the dog park not those that create a potential risk to other dogs or humans.</p>	<p>lovely metal park bench, other spots to sit and a small shelter. There has never been a time that we have passed that there weren't dogs and people there. Never crowded, it appears as though one could be separate or join a few others. I hear of people coming from as far as Udora with their dogs. It has been mentioned that there is a lot of space near the 'Animal Shelter' in Cannington and a lot of land around there and the location is central to all. Another MAJOR consideration is the possible large cost to the taxpayers, which needs to be studied. Liability, maintenance, insurance etc etc</p>	
	<p>We don't need to waste money on a dog park</p>		<p>All dog parks I've attended do not charge fees, increase in taxes should be enough</p>

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	<p>Such a rigmarole when pets are the responsibility of their owners, not the township! Don't spend another penny of township money on this.</p>	<p>I would pay for private exclusive use of a secure fully fenced off leash area. Certain time blocks could be allocated for such bookings.</p>	<p>I should not have to pay for something I will not use. Is the Township of Brock going to have staff on hand to look after the dog park?</p>
	<p>I do not want to contribute to this in any way. I can only see the policing of this as a huge nightmare!! If we must have one, I think it should be a money maker or at least revenue neutral to Brock. Having a pet is the pet owners responsibility, not the township's.</p>	<p>When I have used a dog park, there was always a posted sign with rules in clear sight before entering the dog park area. If the township is involved, a contact number can be posted for report of misuse. The township would regularly empty garbage cans, installing a box with dog bags for cleaning up after your dog is a must. No fee should be involved.</p>	<p>I do not believe parks should have fees. It limits usage. And it doesn't always make it better. Leave a donation bin somewhere perhaps to offset costs of poop bags. But don't charge to use it</p>
	<p>Dog parks all end up being used by a very few dog owning residents due to many issues. Different dog breeds have different play styles which is not understood by most dog owners, this causes issues between owners and division amongst dog park users, causing the park to be abandoned by many who 'thought' it would be a good idea. As someone who has worked in the veterinary field for over 37yrs dog parks are also a source of illness (spread of virus like kennel cough/parvovirus/etc, parasites, etc) as well as injuries to the dogs due to dog fights as well as owners who try to break them up. I would highly suggest polling the Uxbridge residents on how they use</p>	<p>Instead of charging Brock residents for a Brock facility, why not charge NONBrock residents for their constant use of the beach and splashpad areas, and the associated costs of cleaning up after them, and use that money to provide a dog park for residents? (I know, because it's anecdotal and nobody has ever actually done a quick survey of weekend visitors down there but I can tell you that is the situation). Other local</p>	<p>Well there's dog parks in Keswick that don't have any fees or cost anything to use and are rarely looked after by townships so I don't know why you would need any of this stuff for a dog park</p>



	<p>their dog park that was put in a few years ago. I belong to a social media group for that park and over the years many complaints, conflicts and bullying of and by owners has occurred. I drive past this park at minimum twice daily and I would say I always see the same 1/2 dozens dogs/owners there.</p>	<p>dog parks don't charge. If kids don't need to pay a user fee for parks and splash pads - which also have associated costs - why should dog owners be penalized?</p>	
	<p>I would not support a dog park. They are very dangerous for dogs</p>		<p>Free</p>

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	<p>I foresee and have seen many complications and problems with a dog park. I hope one is not developed in our Township.</p>	<p>If you are putting in a park you better put i. Three parks one for each town. Or none at all</p>	<p>I'm definitely not in favour of membership or entrance fees. If funds were required, fundraisers should take place such as agility shows, dog shows, dog training classes and guest speakers providing information on dog training. I would be willing to help organize the aforementioned.</p>
	<p>I do not support a dog park. Sunderland has a walking trail and all 3 areas have plenty of park space and roads. What a waste of money, just like our volleyball and tennis courts in Sunderland that are NEVER used.</p>	<p>If people are to lazy to walk their dog(s) give them a space with parking outside of city/town limits (to lazy or can't walk, won't mind driving. Large expense in providing water, testing and such. If you proceed with a dog run supply an open fenced space with minimal parking and a garbage can. Dog runs are really a big city need, here would only be used by a small minority so not be an annoyance or cost to the majority.</p>	<p>All dog parks are paid for by the taxpayers. No one is going to pay to use a dog park. Dog parks become dog washrooms that carry many diseases.</p>
	<p>think Brock township money could be put to better use. I will not support my tax dollars going to something that less then half of our population would use. I'm not against dogs but there are so many very important things our money could go towards. Maybe put out another</p>	<p>We used to live in Angus and their dog park is probably one of the best I've been to. Maybe reach out and see how that location is managed and adopt similar policies.</p>	<p>Why should it be at the expense of tax payers to support others with dogs? We have a walking trail in Beaverton that people let their dogs run free while others are walking, some people are afraid of dogs. Maybe bylaw should address this almost any morning.</p>

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	No I would not. Just a field somewhere is not good enough. An area with trails etc. would be required if I were to use a dog park.		Willing to pay small reasonable fees such as a dollar or two however if entrance fees were to be more expensive due to current economy I would not likely be able to afford it.
	Many people are not in control of their dogs. Their dogs have no manners. I think a dog park would pose a risk		People don't pay separate user fees for splash pad and places like soccer fields Are available for people to just go use, despite upkeep required, please don't penalize dog owners differently
	Note: There is "no money" to have enough staff to clear Brock Township roads more then 1x per storm on average. Sideroad residents do NOT work at home, they are commuters and are battling uncleared, unmaintained roads both going to and coming home from work as plows normally go down at 9 am FOR the next 24 hours. A dog park is not a good example of spending money- it is an elective not a necessity.and judging by our lack of snow clearing, there is no extra money for electives at this time.		I won't support, membership fees, how do you control. Who goes in and out. Just like entrance fee, do you hire someone at the gate 24/7. Spend our money taxes on parks for children not animals. A swimming pool for kids. Spend our money wisely.