



The Dog Friendly Bury St Edmunds Charter

DOG OWNERS CHARTER

This charter has been created to give some advice and guidance on how to get the most and enjoy dog friendly places

- 1. Be polite and courteous with the business and staff of the premises you enter.
- 2. Make sure you toilet your dog and exercise accordingly prior to entering a dog friendly business. This will help your dog be relaxed and help you enjoy shopping, your meal or coffee.
- 3. Always keep your dog on lead and never on a retractable lead unless it is locked to the shortest position.
- 4. Make sure you always have control of your dog.
- 5. Ensure your dog is well mannered, calm and happy to be in new environments.
- 6. Be respectful of the businesses you enter
- 7. If your dog is prone to scent marking, make sure you have a careful eye and never allow them to engage. If they do, it is your responsibility to let the manager know.
- 8. Let staff know if your dog can't have treats or doesn't like to be approached by strangers, consider wearing a special harness / lead (the traffic light scheme is a great initiative).
- 9. Avoid if your dog is anxious or easily spooked, you should not want to put your dog in a position that may heighten their anxiety.
- 10. Refrain from taking entering someone's store if your dog is wet and or muddy.
- 11. This scheme does not give you a divine right to bring your dog into any participating business, if your dog is unruly or misbehaving, you may be asked to leave.
- 12. You are responsible for any damage caused by your dog in a dog friendly location

The dog friendly BSE scheme was launched to raise the profile of Bury St Edmunds and let the community, surrounding areas and rest of the country know how dog friendly we are as a town. This will be a collaborative effort of responsible dog owners and open-minded businesses who see the potential of the scheme.

Businesses reserve the right to refuse entry or stop participation at any given time and we should respect that decision.

Launched by Camp Tails Doggy Daycare (formally BSE Canine Creche) and the BSE Town Council in collaboration with Bury St Edmunds and Beyond and the Our Bury St Edmunds Business Improvement District



