

## DOG EXCREMENT

Problems with dog excrement on verges is still being reported to parish councillors. An extract from the Cheshire West website is reproduced here:

### Risks posed by dog fouling

The Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 makes it an offence not to remove any faeces deposited by your dog. It applies to all land open to the air that has public access, whether or not warning signs are displayed.

There are exceptions such as carriageways and adjacent footpaths where the speed limit is over 40mph and woodland and some types of common or agricultural land.

The offence carries a maximum penalty of £1,000. An offender may be given the option of paying a £50 fixed penalty notice within 14 days to avoid prosecution and a subsequent criminal record, if found guilty.

Never let your dog out alone to 'go to the loo'. It is every dog owners duty to clean up after their dog. There are no excuses, fouling is unacceptable.