

**Site approved!**

# Let's bring an off-leash dog park to Newtown!



## **Why does Newtown need a Dog Park?**

There are currently almost 2,000 dogs registered in Newtown. Today, dogs are prohibited from entering town parks, and must be leashed on all public property. Off-leash dog parks offer residents an opportunity to exercise and socialize their dogs in a safe and secure park setting, while getting to know other dog lovers in town. Over 40 Connecticut towns now have dog parks and some are adding a second and third!

## **How will it be paid for?**

Working in conjunction with the Newtown Parks and Recreation Department, a group of Newtown dog lovers called Friends of Newtown Park and Bark has been working towards a goal of raising enough money to open the park. To bring this beneficial park to the town, the committee is counting on the community to support the effort by making donations and participating in fundraising events.

## **Where will it be located?**

Our **approved site** is an unused two-acre field on Old Farm Rd., off Wasserman Way, near Reed Intermediate School. It is adjacent to the new municipal animal shelter, and across the street from the Governor's Horse Guard. This site will require some clearing, leveling and seeding before fence installation. Water is available onsite, with minor plumbing enhancements required.

## **Who will maintain it?**

Once established, Parks and Recreation has agreed to perform annual lawn maintenance and weekly trash removal. Park and Bark volunteers will refill bag dispensers, post updates to bulletin boards, and assist with fundraising for new projects or maintenance, as needed. Dog owners will be responsible for cleaning up after their dogs and filling in any holes dug by their dog (biodegradable "mutt mitts" and topsoil will be provided).

Thank you for paying the postage!



Friends of Newtown Park and Bark  
Newtown Parks & Recreation Department  
1 Main St.  
Newtown, CT 06470

# Support Park and Bark! Bring an off-leash dog park to Newtown!

Complete this form and send it along with a check payable to **Newtown Parks and Recreation**.

You can also deliver your donation in person to Parks and Rec or donate on our website [www.NewtownParkandBark.org](http://www.NewtownParkandBark.org)

Remember, donations are tax-deductible (non-profit Tax ID # 06-6002048), and many employers will match donations!

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**Founding Sponsor:** \$2,000 + (amt) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Recognition on a permanent plaque on a park monument.  
Attribution: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Buy a BIG Brick:** \$200  
8" x 8" engraved paver, 6 lines of text, 14 chars. per line  
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**Buy a Bench:** \$1,200  
6 foot long bench with permanent plaque  
Attribution: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Buy a Brick:** \$100  
4" x 8" engraved paver, 3 lines of text, 14 chars. per line  
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**Friend of Park and Bark:** Funds used for landscaping and maintenance.  
 \$25     \$50     other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## How you can help:

The building of a dog park in town is a labor of love by those involved. Now Newtown is in the fundraising stage, and we're counting on the support of Newtown's residents to make the park a reality.

Friends of Newtown Park and Bark is a group of dog-loving volunteers working with the Newtown Parks and Recreation Department. We need more volunteers and more help, and we'd love yours!

If you're interested in volunteering, want to be added to our email list to receive park updates, and to make a tax-deductible donation, please:

- visit our website, [www.NewtownParkandBark.org](http://www.NewtownParkandBark.org)
- email [roseann.reggiano@newtown-ct.gov](mailto:roseann.reggiano@newtown-ct.gov)
- contact RoseAnn at (203) 270-4373

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Please put me on your mailing list.     I'd like information on volunteering.



# Thanks for your support!

