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"TELLING IT AS IT IS"

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DOGS ON THE BEACH

Last night an overseas visitor and myself took a late evening stroll on the beach. To my horror, we had to side-step "doggy-does" all the way along leading to the Clovelly side!!! I was very embarrassed and ashamed to see dog-lovers strolling with their dogs, unperturbed, and without any form of equipment, or bag to clean up after their dogs' sanitary!! Can this be possible - is this allowed - no sign or prohibitive measure to make people refrain from such casual and careless behaviour in adding to pollution?

M Pearson

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Quite often, when reading letters to local newspapers, I wonder whether the writers inhabit the same Fish Hoek as I do. The latest example is M.Pearson's letter (19 December) regarding "doggy-does" on the beach. Since moving to Fish Hoek in 1999, I have walked (without a dog) the length of Fish Hoek Beach practically every day.

My reaction -after spending the previous ten years in the U .K. -has been admiration for the conscientious way in which dog owners clear up after their dogs. Perhaps M.Pearson struck a particularly unusual day, but I would like to assure her/him that our dog-lovers are good citizens, and they accept their responsibilities

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