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Divisions' pet dog issues problems and interventions

Punggol Shore

Public Education

Problem | Dog urine stains on void deck pillars and beneath town council posters are causing unpleasant odors in HDB blocks. Since these pillars are sheltered and do not come into contact with rainwater, the smell persists, making it difficult to maintain a clean and odor-free environment.



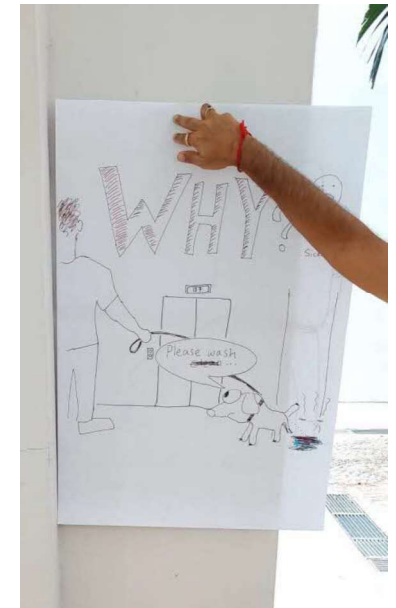
Existing dog pee seen during neighbourhood walk

Punggol Shore

Public Education

Intervention | Install public education posters at (a) void deck pillars where dog urine stains are prevalent, and (b) inside lifts to remind dog owners to carry water bottles to wash away their dog's urine. The posters will be designed from the perspective of the dog, humorously asking owners to clean up after them.

Following an internal RC meeting, there is also interest in establishing a dog run in Meridian. To explore this idea, a block party will be organised to engage residents, gather feedback on the need for a dog run, and discuss potential designs. Other agencies, such as NParks, will participate in the block party to share knowledge on dog-friendly spaces. Additionally, a poster design competition for kids will be held to encourage community involvement and raise awareness.



Proposed intervention prototype

Marymount

Outreach Efforts

Problem | Dog urine at HDB block pillars is creating an unsightly mess, as dogs often mistake the pillars for trees. This issue is particularly problematic near the side staircase between Block 246 and Block 245, which is currently fenced off due to construction. Once construction is completed and the area becomes a sheltered walkway, the problem may worsen, as dogs tend to pee where other dogs have already urinated due to them establishing territory. Despite alternate narrow pathways nearby (such as the carpark and preschool), the urine issue persists, contributing to an ongoing cleanliness problem.

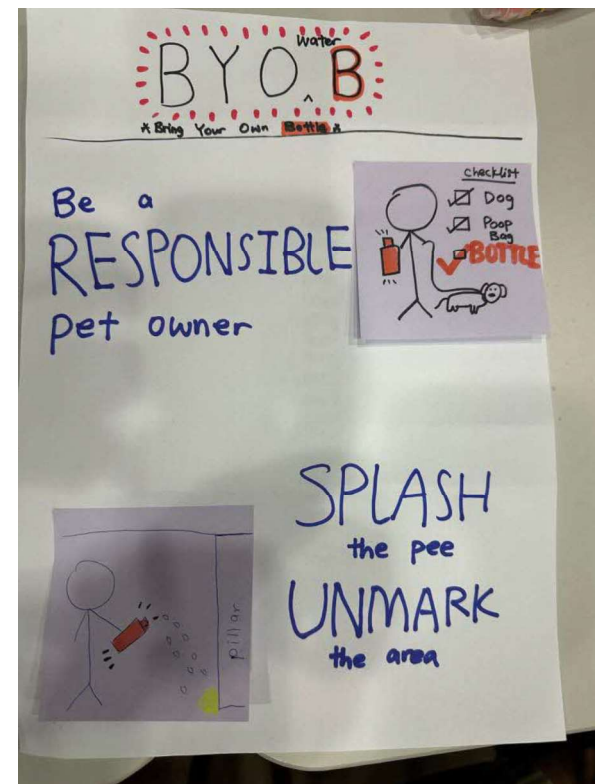


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Marymount

Outreach Efforts

Intervention | Launch a public education campaign featuring posters with key messages aimed at promoting responsible dog ownership. The campaign will encourage dog owners to "bring your own water bottle" and include a checklist for them to follow, with one key item being whether they've brought a water bottle to clean up after their dog. The posters will feature clear graphics showing dog owners splashing water on urine.

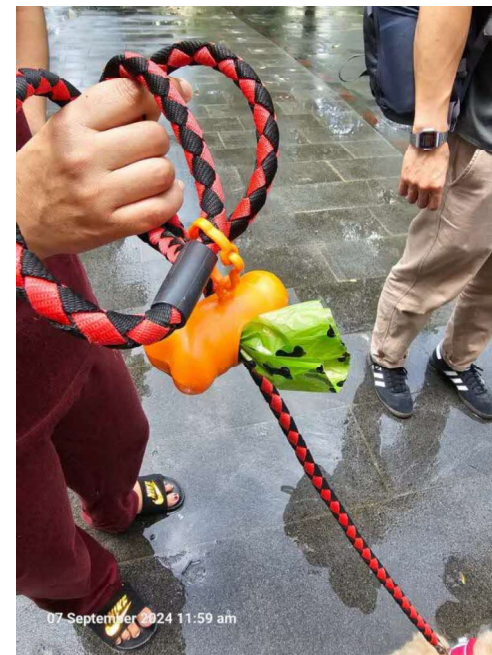


Proposed intervention prototype

Henderson-Dawson

Public Education + Outreach Efforts

Problem | Dog urine is a common issues on the concrete walkways, which leads to unsanitary walking conditions. Additionally, some dogs urinate on grassy areas, resulting in the grass dying, damaging the landscape outside the condo. The public signages address cleaning dog poop but there are no mentions on cleaning dog urine and this contributes to maintenance challenges.



Plastic container of plastic bags seen carrying by dog owner during neighbourhood walk

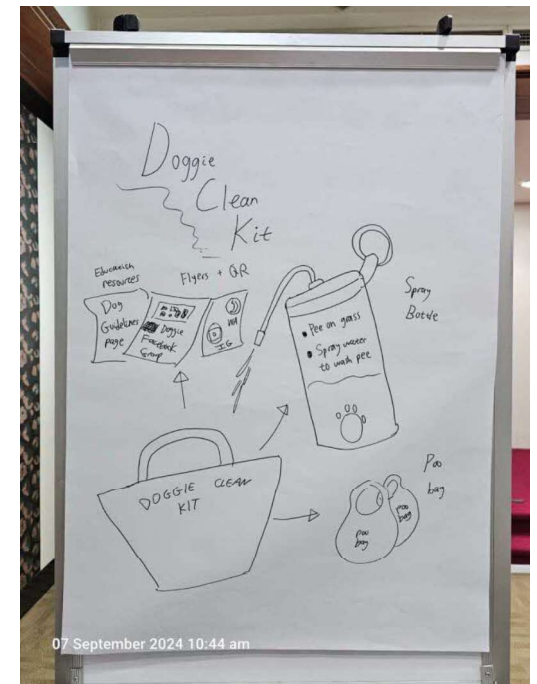
Henderson-Dawson

Public Education + Outreach Efforts

Intervention | Organise an event called "Henderson's Doggies Day Out" to promote responsible dog ownership and cleanliness among dog owners and lovers. The event will feature booths set up by various agencies to raise awareness on dog care, with veterinarians present to provide information and services. As part of the awareness campaign, sustainable goodie bags - called "Doggie Clean Kit" bags - will be distributed. These kits will include disposable dog poop bags with awareness messages and a squirt water bottle with a nozzle for cleaning up dog urine. Agencies may also contribute additional informational materials.

To further promote the event and its message, a WhatsApp group or a dedicated social media page will be created to engage the dog-loving community. Flyers with QR codes linking to NEA guidelines and community dog owner social media groups will be distributed.

The plan is to launch this initiative by early 2025, possibly aligning with International Dog Day. Initial feedback from neighborhood residents has been positive.



Proposed intervention prototype

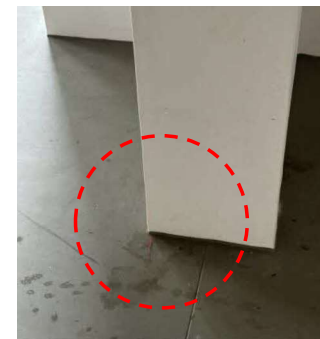
Jalan Kayu

Public Education posters

Problem | Dog pee at the void deck is a persistent issue, as dog walkers (rather than owners) often fail to clean up after the dogs. This leads to stained pillars and unsightly conditions below the block. While there are existing signs addressing dog poop, no signage specifically addresses the problem of dog pee.

Intervention | To have public education posters at void deck pillars where dog pee stains are prevalent. The posters will aim to raise awareness not only among dog owners but also dog walkers. The design will feature simple, easy-to-understand visuals to ensure the message is clear regardless of language barriers. The goal is to educate all responsible parties about the importance of cleaning up after dogs to maintain cleanliness in shared spaces

Note: No participants from workshop 2 attended workshop 3 , hence this intervention did not have further iterations.



Existing dog pee seen during neighbourhood walk

