**Request Form for 1-to-1 Training with Forest Dogs**

Hi there! Thank you for your interest in Forest Dogs’ 1-1 training services with Andy Collins. Andy is the founder of Forest Dogs; a company passionate about canine welfare and specialising in dog training, boarding, and walking. In establishing the Higham Hill Dog Training Club branch of Forest Dogs in January 2019, Andy has ensured that 1-1 sessions remain an option for those who need it. Since 2016, Andy has been provided training on an individual basis to pursue the empowerment of handlers in gaining a balanced canine companion, ensuring that everyone has access to the Forest Dogs experience.

‘*Unfortunately we are not able to bring Scooby to [group] training, he is a lovely boy, but gets very anxious in new environments. So we approached Andy Collins your local dog & human trainer at Higham Hill Dog Training Club for a 1 to 1 consultation. I have to tell you it was the best thing we ever did. We were so proud of our boy & can’t wait to start working with him. Andy has just opened the door, for him & us, to enjoy outside life together so much more. Now the work begins!*’ – Leigh Smith, 2019

**A little bit about the 1-1 training sessions:**

1-1 sessions help to focus on you and your dog to work out core issues, what may be causing them, and how to deal with them calmly and positively. Here at Forest Dogs we use force-free techniques and ensure you and your dogs wellbeing remains at the front of everything we do. Andy will help you and your dog to feel calm and comfortable, and sessions are guided according to individual needs. We are compassionate, reliable and commited to helping you and your dog.

Sessions can either take place in your home or at the Forest Dogs base in Walthamstow. Our primary training method is Positive Reinforcement; a non-forceful, non-aggressive technique that displaces negative behaviours with desireable responses to positive stimuli. We have found that this is the most successful way to implement preferable action in a manner that is likely to reoccur. We will also set goals and continually review progress. The Forest Dogs service is not limited to specific cases or individuals, so please be as clear as possible in your form, and let us know if you have any individual need requirements. If you are planning on training more than one dog, please complete a separate form for each dog.

Once your form has been reviewed, Andy will contact you to discuss any core issues and to introduce himself. Following your free telephone consultation, a date for in-person sessions will then be booked in at a time that suits you. Andy can advise on preferable location, items to bring, number of people and pets in the session, and the frequency of meetings.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Forest Dogs

**A Bit About You:**

Primary contact name:

Primary contact telephone number:

Primary contact email address:

Primary contact postcode:

Is there anyone else who you would like to join in the sessions?

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**A Bit About Your Dog:**

Name:

Age:

Breed (please clarify if on the DDA list):

Sex:

Castration status:

Vaccinated: Yes/No

Latest flea treatment:

Veterinary practice:

Pre-existing conditions:

Current medication:

Rescue or bought:

**In the space below, please outline the primary reasons for your reaching out to us, including key instances of undersired behavior and what you hope can be achieved. If you need more space please write on the back of this page or, if completing electronically, add another page.**

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**Below are some basic questions that will help us to guage where we can best start to help you and your dog. It’s important for us to get a holistic picture of your dogs routine and behaviours. Again, please complete as much as possible.**

**Dog Walking Questions:**

How often, on average, do you walk your dog?

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How long, on average, are your dog walks?

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Does your dog have a regular dog-walking handler?

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Does your dog live with their primary walker?

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Is your dog able to be let off-lead?

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Do you have a regular walking route?

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Are dog walks mainly solitary or with others?

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Are you experiencing any behavioural problems surrounding dog walking? i.e. lead aggression, poor recall, hyperactivity, pulling

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**Dietary Questions:**

How often, on average, do you feed your dog?

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Is your dog on a special diet?

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Do you frequently give your dog treats outside of meal times?

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Is your dog food motivated?

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Does your dog have any food-related issues? I.e. resource guarding, refusing to eat, eating too quickly, stealing/begging

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**Social Questions:**

Does your dog live with any other people?

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If your dog lives with any other people, has this ever caused any issues?

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Does your dog live with any other pets?

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If your dog lives with any other pets, has this ever caused any issues?

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How does your dog respond to other dogs?

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How does your dog respond to cats?

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How does your dog respond to strangers?

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Is your dog able to walk past dogs whilst on a lead?

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Is your dog able to greet other dogs calmly?

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Are there any concerns aroud your dogs socialisation? I.e. nervousness/anxiety, lunging, biting or other displays of aggression

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**Lifestyle Questions**

Does your dog have their own space in the home?

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Does your dog live mostly in one place?

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Are their any objects your dog is particularly attached to in the home?

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Is your dog respectful of boundaries set in the home?

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What are your dog’s sleeping arrangements?

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Does your dog, on average, sleep throughout the night?

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Is your dog toilet trained?

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Are there behavioural issues surrounding the home environment? I.e. destroying furnature, unwelcoming of guests, guarding

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**General Behaviour Questions:**

Is your dog mostly lethargic or energetic during the day?

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Are you aware of any previous traumas your dog has endured?

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Does your dog enjoy affection and being groomed??

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Is your dog ‘triggered’ by particular stimuli (i.e. loud noises)?

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Has your dog ever shown aggression?

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Are you able to leave your dog alone?

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Do you have any concerns surrounding your dog’s general behaviour? I.e. they appear depressed/anxious

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Many thanks for completing this form.

If you are not returning this in person, please send a digital copy to forestdogs@outlook.com.