

MEETING OF URBAN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC COMPLEX 29 JUNE
2000, COMMENCING AT 5.20PM.

ATTENDANCES

Cr John Hollywood	
Cr Stephen Magyar	
Cr Andrew Nixon	
Cr Carol Mackintosh	
Ms Amber Perrin	Environmental Health Officer
Mr Jeremy Edwards	Team Leader, Ranger Services
Mr Dennis Cluning	Manager Operations Services
Mr Mark Stanton	Manager Leisure and Ranger Services
Ms Jan Grimoldby	Consultant

APOLOGIES

Cr Tanya Barnett	
Mr Daryl Butcher	Manager Urban Design and Policy Services

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Mark Stanton assumed the chair and declared the meeting open, welcomed all in attendance and called for nominations for Chairperson.

Moved Cr Mackintosh **Seconded** Cr Magyar that Cr Barnett be nominated as Chairperson of the Urban Animal Management Committee.

There being no further nominations Cr Barnett was declared elected.

In Cr Barnett's absence, nominations were called for Acting Chairperson.

Moved Cr Magyar **Seconded** Cr Mackintosh that Cr Hollywood be nominated as Acting Chairperson of the Urban Animal Management Committee.

There being no further nominations Cr Hollywood was declared elected and assumed the chair.

URBAN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN

Mark Stanton introduced Jan Grimoldby, facilitator for planning session to develop an Action Plan.

Discussion ensued, with key issues, priorities and strategies identified to assist in the development of an Action Plan. Additional actions by Officers present were also noted to be completed in preparation for the next meeting of the Committee to assist further planning and development of the Action Plan.

Copies of the City's local laws relating to Urban Animals to be distributed to the elected members of the Committee.

Cr Nixon left the room at 6.55pm.

MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business the Acting Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 7.05pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

5.00pm, Thursday 27 July 2000, Conference Room 2, Joondalup Civic Centre.

Notes from discussion to develop Urban Animal Management Action Plan

The Committee will use these to develop a draft Action Plan for consideration

1. SESSION OBJECTIVES:

These were identified as being:

- 1. Identify issues;
- 2. Prioritise issues;
- 3. Identify targets for first six months;
- 4. Identify targets for 6-12 months.

3. WHAT ARE URBAN ANIMALS?

These were defined as any animal over which the local laws of the City of Joondalup exerted some control.

These included:

- Horses;
- Dogs;
- Cats;
- Pigeons;
- Poultry;
- Bees;
- Pigs; and
- Miscellaneous pets such as mice, budgies etc.

The priority animals to deal with were identified as:

- Dogs;
- Cats;
- Pigeons and
- Horses

4. DOGS – SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

HEALTH	ACCESS	CONTROL	OTHER
Strays;	Foreshore exercise areas;	Registration/3 dogs & level of overall registration	Dangerous dogs
Inoculation;	Dual Use path	Fines	Dogs in Yellalonga Regional Park
Pound;	Faeces	Barking	
Sterilisation	Signage	Training	

5. DOGS – PRIORITIES FOR NEXT SIX MONTHS

PRIORITY	ACTION	OFFICER
Review of foreshore & Dual Use Path use	Detailed plan at next meeting – impact of allowing dogs onto Dual Use Paths, what's fenced, signage, bin locations etc.	Dennis
Establish criteria of operation of using Dog Use Paths.		Next Agenda
Examine options for alternatives to fines under Local Law	Identify incentive options	Jeremy
Support dog training programs		
Community Education	Elements of a community education program. Community Education Officer to next meeting	Mark
Dogs in parks adjoining schools	Statistics on dogs	Jeremy
Dangerous dogs & health	Incidence of dog related diseases reported	Amber

6. CATS ISSUES

- Attacking and killing wildlife;
- Feral cats;
- Noise from catfights;
- Unwanted cats/sterilisation;
- Options to register cats.

ACTIONS:

Amber Perrin to find out how City of Stirling is going with its trials and get copies of any local laws relating to cats from other local governments.

7. HORSES – ISSUES:**Horse exercise beach:**

- How many Residents own horses;
- How many horses are exercised at the horse exercise beach;
- Is there a pattern to exercise times (eg 5.00am – 8.00 am only)
- Are the horse for a particular purposes (eg – sprinters, trotters, recreational etc.)

ACTION:

Jeremy Edwards to explore options for undertaking some research on the horse exercise beach.

8. PIGEONS – ISSUES

Domestic

- Noise;
- Proximity to neighbours;
- Size of block

(Are these mainly land use planning issues?)

Feral:

- 2 flocks one at Neil Hawkins Park, one at Hillarys;
- increasing excrement;
- disease.

ACTION:

Jeremy Edwards to follow up on some possible work undertaken by WAMA in about 1997.