

**MEETING OF URBAN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
CONFERENCE ROOM 3, JOONDALUP CIVIC COMPLEX
26 FEBRUARY 2001, COMMENCING AT 5.02PM.**

ATTENDANCES

Cr Tanya Barnett	Chairperson
Cr John Hollywood	
Cr Carol Mackintosh	
Cr Stephen Magyar	from 5.06PM
Dennis Cluning	Manager Operations Services
Paul Hrovatin	Senior Ranger
Amber Perin	Environmental Health Officer
Mark Stanton	Manager Leisure and Ranger Services
Cr Judy Hurst	(from 5.50pm)
Dave Djublic	Director Infrastructure Management
	(from 5.45pm)
Nicole Foxcroft	Project Officer
Alan Plummer	Resident - Ocean Reef

APOLOGIES

None

MINUTES OF THE MEETING, 27 November 2000

Moved Cr Hollywood **Seconded** Cr Barnett that the minutes of the meeting of the Urban Animal Management Committee held on 27 November 2000 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

DEPUTATION - MR ALAN PLUMMER

Mr Plummer addressed the committee regarding the City permitting him access with his dog to areas of the foreshore reserve where dogs are currently prohibited so that he can collect rubbish to help keep the area tidy and safe.

This matter is to be investigated further and retabled at the next meeting of the Committee.

URBAN ANIMAL ACTION PLAN

Mark Stanton provided an update of the Urban Animal Action Plan, reporting on many of the initiatives that are currently being implemented such as the trial of dogs on a lead along the foreshore dual use path.

It was noted that the level of dog excretion along the foreshore dual use path had decreased and the number of people using the path had increased. Dennis Cluning reported that the number of dog poo bags that were being thrown into the bush even when a bin is close by has increased.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIONS

Adventure Playground

Nicole Foxcroft reported on the feedback from the community in relation to this proposal. Residents around Granadilla Park are not in favour of the Adventure Playground being located at the park. Discussion ensued on other potential locations including median strips in road reserves, Elcar Park in Joondalup and adjacent to the Hillarys Animal Exercise Area.

Horse Exercise Area

Nicole Foxcroft reported there were some 500 horse owners and 23 trainers resident in the City. Contact has been made with the WA Trotting Association and other horse owner Associations to seek the views of their members in relation to the proposal.

Foreshore Dual Use Path

Nicole Foxcroft updated the Committee on the community consultation to date.

The Committee noted that the consultation for all three proposals closes 22 March 2001.

DOG EXCREMENT - AREAS OTHER THAN DUAL USE PATH

The Committee considered an enquiry from the Ocean Reef Residents Association whether attention can be given to "Dog Poo" on beaches, parks, and footpaths other than dual use paths. It was noted that while the extent of dog excrement has decreased along the foreshores dual use path, it had not reduced to the same extent in other areas. Discussion centered on the need for ongoing community education and, where appropriate, law enforcement.

This item is to be retabled for further discussion at the next meeting of the committee.

EVALUATION CRITERIA - DOG TRIAL, FORESHORE DUAL USE PATH

The committee considered a range of criteria to assess the success of the trial.

It was agreed that the Urban Animal Management Committee would use the following criteria to report to Council on the success of the trial to permit access to dogs.

- 1 Number of service requests for Rangers to attend to a dog matter on the foreshore dual use path;
- 2 Number of cautions and infringements issued in comparison to before the trial;
- 3 Estimate of number of dogs being walked along the path in comparison to before the trial;
- 4 Estimate the number of people without dogs walking along the path in comparison to before the trial;
- 5 Extent of dog excrement along the dual use path in comparison to before the trial;
- 6 Community Feedback; and

- 7 Feedback from Rangers and other Council Officers who are working along the dual use path.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Barnett indicated that she would be seeking to develop a web page to promote the activities of Council in relation to responsible dog ownership.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TBA

CLOSE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.58PM.