

## Circuses Policy

City Policy

# Responsible Directorate: Planning and Community Development Corporate Services

**Objective:** To provide a statement of intent guidance concerning with respect to the operation of circuses that use live performing animals within the City's district.

### 1. Application:

This policy shall will apply to all organisations which usinge live performing animals for entertainment purposes within the City of Joondalup.

### 2. Definitions:

"Domestic animal" means any of the various animals which have been domesticated by man, so as to commonly live and breed in a tame condition.

"Exotic animal" includes, but is not limited to, big cats, elephants, bears, giraffes, non-human primates, or any other type of animal that is either dangerous or not a domestic animal.

### 3. Statement:

Council opposes the operation of circuses or organisations with performing exotic animals on any City owned or controlled land. including (but not limited to) lions, tigers, leopards, other great cats, elephants, bears, giraffes, monkeys, apes or any type of animal which, in the opinion of the City, is either dangerous or not a domestic animal.

#### 4. Details:

Council considers circuses or organisations that use human acts and/or domestic animals (such as cats and dogs) as a preferred alternative for public entertainment.

Creation Date: April 2008

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Amendments: CJ093-05/12

**Related Documentation:** • Code of Practice for the Conduct of Circuses in Western Australia 2003

• RSPCA Policy – C02 Performing Animals

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