



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

7 FEBRUARY 2023

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that an **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE** on **Tuesday, 7 February 2023**.

David Waddell
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Administration on 6393 8106.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The provisions of Chapter 14 of the Local Government Act, 1993 (the Act) regulate the way in which Councillors and designated staff of Council conduct themselves to ensure that there is no conflict between their private interests and their public role.

The Act prescribes that where a member of Council (or a Committee of Council) has a direct or indirect financial (pecuniary) interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council (or Committee), that interest must be disclosed as soon as practicable after the start of the meeting and the reasons given for declaring such interest.

As members are aware, the provisions of the Local Government Act restrict any member who has declared a pecuniary interest in any matter from participating in the discussion or voting on that matter, and requires that member to vacate the Chamber.

Council's Code of Conduct provides that if members have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest, the nature of the conflict must be disclosed. The Code of Conduct also provides for a number of ways in which a member may manage non pecuniary conflicts of interest.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee at this meeting.

2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

2.1 MINUTES OF THE COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 8 DECEMBER 2022

RECORD NUMBER: 2023/20

AUTHOR: Rosemary Reid, Project Officer

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 8 December 2022 are provided to the Environmental Sustainability Policy Committee for adoption.

LINK TO DELIVERY/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The recommendation in this report relates to the Delivery/Operational Plan strategy "6.1. Provide services and facilities that enable Council to fulfil its obligations under the Companion Animal Act".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Within the Companion Animals Community Committee and Special Contracts budget.

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Companion Animals Community Committee at its meeting held on 8 December 2022.
- 2 That Council determine recommendations 3.1 3.2 and 3.3 from the minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting of 8 December 2022:
 - 3.1 *That Council write to the Minister for Local Government expressing the Committee's concern over:*
 1. *The non-existent legislation or regulation in NSW regarding cat containment.*
 2. *The non-existent legislation or regulation in NSW regarding backyard breeders/ breeding of dogs.*
 - 3.2 *That Council produce a press release on pets being an unwanted Christmas gift.*
 - 3.3 *That Council produce a press article releasing Pound statistics to the public.*
- 3 That the remainder of the minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee at its meeting held on 8 December 2022 be adopted.

FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration has been given to the recommendation's impact on Council's service delivery; image and reputation; political; environmental; health and safety; employees; stakeholders and project management; and no further implications or risks have been identified.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 CACC 8 December 2022 Minutes
- 2 CACC 8 December 2022 Agenda, D22/77372 [↓](#)

ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 8 DECEMBER 2022

COMMENCING AT 12.34PM

1 INTRODUCTION

ATTENDANCE

Cr D Mallard (Chairperson), Mrs Pam Davis, Mr Neil Jones, Ms Helen Wood, Ms Danielle Haase, Acting Director Development Services, Pound Supervisor, Companion Animal Registrar

1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

RECOMMENDATION	Mr N Jones/Ms H Wood
That the apologies be accepted from Cr J Hamling (Mayor), Mrs Susan Sanders, Ms Anne Reith, for the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting on 8 December 2022.	

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.3 Declaration of pecuniary interests, significant non-pecuniary interests and less than significant non-pecuniary interests

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION	Mr N Jones/Ms H Wood
That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 6 October 2022 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting held on 6 October 2022.	

3 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2453

Neil Jones - The Lombardy Way Off Leash area needs some improvement to the access off The Escort Way, mowing and snipping are required around the southern bench. Also has there been an update on cat containment from the Local Government State Conference.

Danielle Haase – please could meetings be convened outside of school holidays

Pam Davis – requested a list of achievements of the Committee for the past year.

Cr David Mallard – asked for an update on the AWL bus that came to provide a microchipping and vaccination day. This was successful although more advertising needs to be done beforehand. Also, apparently some Councils help by subsidising this service so perhaps that is something the Committee could investigate in the next financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

Ms D Haase/Ms P Davis

That Council write to the Minister for Local Government expressing the Committees concern over:

1. The non-existent legislation or regulation in NSW regarding cat containment.
2. The non-existent legislation or regulation in NSW regarding backyard breeders/ breeding of dogs

3.2 COUNCIL PROJECT UPDATES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2454

The Acting Director Development Services produced the list of projects that had been completed this year under the Companion Animals Community Committee budget.

1. Desexing program - \$5,500 spent so far on the desexing of 30 dogs and cats.
2. New bin and bag dispenser has been put in place in the Shiralee area.
3. An extension to the fence height on adjoining properties to the North Orange Off Leash area has been completed.
4. An investigation of dog watering points in off leash areas and parks in Orange. All off leash areas with water services located nearby have this facility.
5. Update and printing of the Dog Exercise Area brochure.
6. Dogs must be on a lead signage for parks were produced and place in Moulder Park.

RECOMMENDATION

Mr N Jones/Ms P Davis

That Council produce a press release on pets being an unwanted Christmas gift.

3.3 CUSTOMER REQUEST AND POUND STATISTICS

TRIM REFERENCE: 2022/2452

RECOMMENDATION

Ms D Haase/Ms P Davis

That Council produce a press article releasing Pound statistics to the public.

Meeting dates for 2023 are 2 March, 1 June, 7 September and 7 December.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1.43PM



COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

8 DECEMBER 2022

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David Waddell

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

For apologies please contact Rosemary Reid on 6393 8229.

