



# **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY COMMITTEE**

## **AGENDA**

**2 MAY 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, 2 May 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 2 MARCH 2023

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RECORD NUMBER: 2023/524

AUTHOR: Rosemary Reid, Project Officer

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 2 March 2023 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 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 2 March 2023.
- 2 That Council determine recommendations 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 from the minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting of 2 March 2023.
  - 3.1 *That the figures on dog attacks reported at Bloomfield Park be presented to the next meeting.*
  - 3.2.1 *That Council enquire as to the costing of compostable dog refuse bags in place of the current biodegradable bags.*
  - 3.2.2 *That Council include planning for Dog Exercise areas in the early stages of subdivision planning.*
  - 3.3.1 *That the Customer Request and Pound Statistics report be accepted.*
  - 3.3.2 *That Council produce figures on the growth of companion animals' ownership in Orange in respect to identification and registration.*
- 3 That the remainder of the minutes of the Companion Animals Community Committee from its meeting held on 2 March 2023 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 2 March 2023, Minutes
- 2 CACC 2 March 2023, Agenda, D23/12227 [↓](#)

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# ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

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

ON 2 MARCH 2023

COMMENCING AT 12.32PM

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### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### ATTENDANCE

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Cr D Mallard (Chairperson), Cr J Hamling (Mayor), Mrs Pam Davis, Mr Neil Jones, Ms Danielle Haase, Ms Anne Reith, Acting Manager Building and Environment, Pound Officer, Companion Animal Registrar

#### 1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

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##### RESOLVED

Ms P Davis/Ms D Haase

That the apologies be accepted from Ms Helen Wood & Mrs Susan Sanders for the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting on 2 March 2023.

#### 1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

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The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

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

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Nil.

### 2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

##### RESOLVED

Cr J Hamling/Ms A Reith

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 8 December 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 8 December 2022.

### 3 PRESENTATIONS

#### 3.1 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/261

Anne Reith - RSPCA Movie Day was successful. Dogs Day Out at Heifer Station in February raised \$1100. The next movie night is on 18 May 2023.

Pound Officer - there are many people trying to surrender dogs to the Pound, many unwanted kittens and cats are being brought to the Pound.

Danielle Haase - We need to look at an advertising strategy.

Cr Hamling - noted the importance of people putting collars and name tags on their dogs.

Pam Davis - tags can be lost, embroidered collars are better. Bloomfield attacks not being reported to Council. Would be good to have a fenced area at Bloomfield. Need to check the CRM system to find out how many attacks have been reported. Perhaps the rangers could do a late patrol.

Danielle Haase - mentioned a rescue called "Save a Life adopt a Dog" - an online portal for rescue dogs. 50% of all profits go to rescue groups. The Diesel and Blue Dog Show will once again be held at the Orange Show in May.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**Ms D Haase/Ms P Davis**

That the figures on dog attacks reported at Bloomfield Park be presented to the next meeting.

#### 3.2 MAINTENANCE OF OFF LEASH AREAS

TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/262

Mowing in dog exercise areas is well done in both fenced and unfenced areas.

Lombardy Way dog exercise area needs some maintenance in the areas around the seats - long grass need snipping and spraying, more tree planting is required. Direction signs need to be erected in Lombardy Way as parking is easier there than trying to get off The Escort Way.

Machin Park requires the tree canopy to be lifted approximately 2m off the ground in the eastern corner.

Compostable bags could be replaced by biodegradable bags.

Planning for Dog Exercise areas need to be in future subdivisions.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**Mr N Jones/Ms A Reith**

1. That Council enquire as to the costing of compostable dog refuse bags in place of the current biodegradable bags.
2. That Council include planning for Dog Exercise areas in the early stages of subdivision planning.

**3.3 CUSTOMER REQUEST AND POUND STATISTICS**

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TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/260

**RECOMMENDATION**

**Mr N Jones/Ms A Reith**

1. That the Customer Request and Pound Statistics report be accepted.
2. That Council produce figures on the growth of companion animals' ownership in Orange in respect to identification and registration.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

AWL are having a microchipping, health check and vaccination day on 10 March 2023 at the Orange Showground.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1.42PM**





## **COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

# **AGENDA**

**2 MARCH 2023**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 that a **COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING of ORANGE CITY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCILLORS WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE on Thursday, 2 March 2023** commencing at **12.30PM**.

David Waddell  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

For apologies please contact Rosemary Reid on 6393 8229.

## COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

2 MARCH 2023

**AGENDA****EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

In the event of an emergency, the building may be evacuated. You will be required to vacate the building. The Committee Clerk will now identify the emergency muster point.

Under no circumstances is anyone permitted to re-enter the building until the all clear has been given and the area deemed safe by authorised personnel.

In the event of an evacuation, a member of Council staff will assist any member of the public with a disability to vacate the building.

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**COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE****2 MARCH 2023**

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**1 INTRODUCTION****MEMBERS**

Cr D Mallard (Chairperson), Cr J Hamling (Mayor), Mrs Pam Davis, Mr Neil Jones, Ms Helen Wood, Mrs Susan Sanders, Ms Danielle Haase, Ms Anne Reith, Director Development Services, Manager Building and Environment, Pound Officer, Companion Animal Registrar

**1.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE****1.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, the people of the Wiradjuri Nation. I pay my respects to Elders past and present, and extend those respects to Aboriginal Peoples of Orange and surrounds, and Aboriginal people here with us today.

**1.3 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Committee Members now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration by the Companion Animals Community Committee at this meeting.

**2 PREVIOUS MINUTES****RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 8 December 2022 (copies of which were circulated to all members) be and are hereby confirmed as a true and accurate records of the proceedings of the Companion Animals Community Committee meeting held on 8 December 2022.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Companion Animals Community Committee held on 8 December 2022

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## 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

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

### ATTENDANCE

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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

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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

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The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

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

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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.	

**MINUTES OF COMPANION ANIMALS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE****8 DECEMBER 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.













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**2.2 MINUTES OF THE PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE 9 MARCH 2023**

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RECORD NUMBER: 2023/534

AUTHOR: Nigel Hobden, Manager City Presentation

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee met on 9 March 2023 and the recommendation from that meeting 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 “7.1. Engage with the community to develop plans for growth and development that value the local environment”.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**POLICY AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1 That Council acknowledge the reports presented to the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee at its meeting held on 9 March 2023.
- 2 That Council determine recommendations 3.1 and 3.2 from the minutes of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting of 9 March 2023.

***3.1 Items for Discussion******That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee:***

1. ***Advise the Community Safety Committee about observation on environmental management social disfunction and behaviour and provide feedback to Council on how these matters can be handled.***
2. ***Recommend to Council an increase in allocations for parks and trees to future maintain and improve colour city image.***
3. ***Recommend that Council review the planned retention basin in North Orange and develop the basin as a constructed wetland with chain of ponds with the same storage capacity as that currently designed.***

***3.2 Moulder Park Masterplan******That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee acknowledge the status of the Moulder Park Masterplan and future upgrading plans.***

- 3 That the remainder of the minutes of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee from its meeting held on 9 March 2023 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 PTWCC 9 March 2023, Minutes
- 2 PTWCC 9 March 2023 Agenda, D23/11627 [↓](#)

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# ORANGE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE

## PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

HELD IN COUNCILLOR'S WORKROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, BYNG STREET, ORANGE

ON 9 MARCH 2023

COMMENCING AT 5.00PM

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### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### ATTENDANCE

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Cr M McDonell (Chairperson), Cr D Mallard, Mr Brendan Stuart, Ms Sarah Keir, Mr Reg Kidd (*teams*), Mr Malcolm Stacey, Mr Neil Jones, Mr Gavin Kidd, Ms Amanda Lockwood (*teams*), Ms Sharyn Pussell, Mr Andrew Kennedy, Mr Cyril Smith, Director Community, Recreation and Cultural Services, Manager City Presentation

Guest – Mr John Mills.

#### 1.1 Apologies and Leave of Absence

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Nil.

#### 1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

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The Chairperson conducted an Acknowledgement of Country.

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

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Nil.

### 2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

**Mr C Smith/Mr A Kennedy**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee held on 17 November 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 Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee meeting held on 17 November 2022.

### 3 PRESENTATIONS

#### 3.1 ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/278

**RECOMMENDATION****Mr N Jones/Cr M McDonell**

That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee:

1. Advise the Community Safety Committee about observation on environmental management social disfunction and behaviour and provide feedback to Council on how these matters can be handled.
2. Recommend to Council an increase in allocations for parks and trees to future maintain and improve colour city image.
3. Recommend that Council review the planned retention basin in North Orange and develop the basin as a constructed wetland with chain of ponds with the same storage capacity as that currently designed.

#### 3.2 MOULDER PARK MASTER PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/279

**RECOMMENDATION****Mr C Smith/Cr M McDonell**

That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee acknowledge the status of the Moulder Park Masterplan and future upgrading plans.

*\*Mr R Kidd left the meeting with the time being 6.45pm\**

### 4 GENERAL REPORTS

#### 4.1 PARKS, TREES AND WATERWAYS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN

TRIM REFERENCE: 2023/250

**RECOMMENDATION****Mr A Kennedy/Mr N Jones**

That the Parks, Trees and Waterways Community Committee Action Plan be placed as the first item on the agenda for the next meeting.

**THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.00PM.**





























