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# Keeping of Animals Information Sheet

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Keeping of Animals is regulated to:

- a) protect the community against risk of injury and damage; and
- b) ensure that animals do not create a nuisance, or hazard to health or safety; and
- c) prevent pollution and other environmental damage resulting from the keeping of animals and to protect the amenity of the local environment; and
- d) ensure that animals are kept and used in a way that is consistent with the rights and expectations of the local community.

Council will set minimum standards for the keeping of animals, or a particular species, which will:

- a) require the regular cleaning of enclosures and the disposal of waste; and
- b) require adequate provision of food and water; and
- c) require the provision of adequate space for the animals; and
- d) provide for the separation of enclosures in which animals are kept from places used for human habitation or the preparation of food, or from watercourses or water catchment areas; and
- e) make other provisions for the maintenance of proper standards of cleanliness and hygiene.

Other conditions which Council may set, may require:

- a) that the animals be kept in enclosures that comply with specified structural requirements; and
- b) the holder of the permit to ensure that the animal wears or displays and appropriate identifying tag; and
- c) the holder of the permit to ensure that the animals do not cause nuisance, inconvenience or annoyance to others; and
- d) the holder of the permit to take specified action to protect against possible harm to the local environment.

For further information on this subject, please contact Council.