

### CITY OF PALMERSTON

**Notice of Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee Meeting  
To be held in Council Chambers  
Civic Plaza, Palmerston  
on Wednesday 27 February 2019 at 5:00pm.**

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#### **1** ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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#### **2** OPENING OF MEETING

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#### **3** APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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- 3.1 Apologies
- 3.2 Leave of Absence
- 3.3 Leave of Absence Request

#### **4** DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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- 4.1 Committee Members
- 4.2 Staff

#### **5** CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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##### 5.1 Confirmation of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Meeting held Wednesday, 30 January 2019, be confirmed.

##### 5.2 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

#### **6** CORRESPONDENCE

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##### 6.1 Top End Rehoming Group Desexing Program Tracking – Katrina Stafford

THAT Correspondence entitled Top End Rehoming Group Desexing Program Tracking received from Katrina Stafford of Top End Rehoming Group be received and noted.

### **7** OFFICER REPORTS

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7.1 Receive and Note Reports

7.1.1 Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Conference – City of  
Palmerston Uniform Animal Management Legislation Motion PAMAC12

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### **8** OTHER BUSINESS

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### **9** NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

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### **10** CLOSURE OF MEETING

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# AWG 2018/19 Tracking

## 1. Statement of Income

Income
Approved Grant Amount (A)
Organisations Contribution
Grants/financial support from other sources (owner contribution)
<b>TOTAL</b>

Total Vet Cost	
Total Promotional Costs	
Total Owner Contribution	
TERG Contribution	
Grant	
Completed vet work	
TERG no longer paying vet work	#REF!

Complete

## 2. Statement of Expenditure

ID / VOUCHER #	Location	Application Complete Y/N	Applicant on Income Support	Species	Animal Name	Breed	M/F	Age (mths)	Colour	Pet Acquired by
AW1801.2018	Karama	Yes		Cat	Pearl	DSH	Female	3	Black brown	Other
AW1802.2018	Karama	Yes		Cat	Dustin	DSH	Male	3	Grey black white	Other
AW1803.2018	Wanguri	Yes	Yes	Dog	Bella	Small mix	Female	6	Tan	Friend/Family
AW1804.2018	Malak	Yes		Dog	Jasper	Rid pitt y x	Male	4	Red	Other Gumtree
AW1805.2018	Howard Springs	Yes		Dog	Lucky	Lab x	Male	12	Black	Unreg Breeder
AW1806.2018	Batchelor	Yes		Dog	Rusty	Heller X	Male	11	Brindle	Stray
AW1807.2018	Durack	Yes		Dog	Tia	Staffy x	Female	7	Black white	Unreg Breeder
AW1808.2018	Katherine	Yes	Yes	Cat	Bagheera	DSH	Female	6	Black	
AW1809.2018	Katherine	Yes	Yes	Cat	Lil Mate	DSH	Male	3	Ginger	
AW1810.2018	Katherine	Yes	Yes	Cat	No Name	DSH	Male	3	Ginger white	
AW1811.2018	Katherine	Yes	Yes	Cat	Lick Lick	DSH	Male	6	Ginger	
AW1812.2018	Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Fitz	Pom	Male	24	Tan	Friend
AW1813.2018	Johnston	Yes	Yes	Dog	Aly	JRT	Female	4	Black white tan	Other
AW1814.2018	Girraween	Yes		Dog	Storm	Heller x	Female	60	Red	Unreg Breeder
AW1815.2018	Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Nova	Chi x	Female	66	Tan white	Friend
AW1816.2018	Woodroffe	Yes		Dog	Hank		Male	8		Other
AW1817.2018	Palmerston	Yes		Cat	Nugget	DSH	Female	12	Tabby	Stray
AW1818.2018	Moulden	Yes	Yes	Dog	Jazz	Heeler	Female	60	Blue	
AW1819.2018	Moulden	Yes	Yes	Dog	Pippa	Heeler	Female	24	Blue	
AW1820.2018	Gray	Yes	Yes	Dog	Poo	Med mix	Female	5	Tan white	Friend
AW1821.2018	Karama	Yes		Dog	Luna	Pittbull	Female	18	Tan	
AW1822.2018	Ludmilla	Yes		Dog	Cooper	Labrador	Male	7	Black	Friend
AW1823.2018	Ludmilla	Yes		Dog	Myka	Labrador	Female	7	Red	Friend
AW1824.2018	Karama	Yes		Cat	Bella	DSH	Female	19	Tabby	Friend
AW1825.2018	Karama	Yes		Cat	Claire	DSH	Female	2	Tabby	Kittens
AW1826.2018	Moil	Yes	Yes	Dog	Reggie	Heeler	Male	48	Red	Friend
AW1827.2018	Gray	Yes		Cat	Hvar	Hima	Male	3	Brown	Friend
AW1828.2018	Katherine	Yes		Cat	Romeo	DSH	Male	12	Ginger	Stray
AW1829.2018	Stuart Park	Yes	Yes	Cat	Peter	DSH	Male	12	Black white	Stray
AW1830.2018	Nakara	Yes		Dog	Bella	Doberman X	Female	12	Black	Friend
AW1831.2018	Woodroffe	Yes		Dog	Sasha	Mastiff X	Female	4	Tan	Rehomed
AW1832.2018	Woodroffe	Yes		Dog	Digger	Mastiff X	Male	208	Black	Unreg Breeder
AW1833.2018	Karama	Yes		Dog	MJ	Sharpei	Female	12	T B & W	
AW1834.2018	Humpty Doo	Yes	Yes	Dog	Little Girl		Female	208		
AW1835.2018	Bayview	Yes		Dog	Sirel	Maltese	Female	6	White	

# Top End Rehoming Group Desexing Program Tracking

# ITEM 6.1

AW1836.2018		Durack	Yes		Dog	Bo	Large breed	Female	24	Tan&white	Friend/Family
AW1837.2018		Nakara	Yes		Dog	Ruby	Heeler x	Female	96	Red	
AW1838.2018		Nakara	Yes		Dog	Nigel	Mix	Male	12	Brindle	Pup
AW1839.2019		Katherine	Yes		Dog	Rosie	Mastiff X	Female	30	Tan	Stray
AW1840.2019		Moulden	Yes		Dog	Jack	Jack Russ X	Male	24	White and tan	
AW1841.2019		Woodroffe	Yes		Dog	Jenny	Pitty x	Female	18	Tan	Stray
AW1842.2019		Jingli	Yes		Dog	Despina	Staffy x	Female	6	Brindle	Gumtree
AW1843.2020		Tiwi	Yes		Dog	Koda	Sharpei x	Female	4	Brown	Gumtree
AW1844.2020		Katherine	Yes	Yes	Cat	Mavis	DSH	Female	60	Black	Friend/Family
AW1845.2020		Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	River	German Point	Female	5	Liver	Friend/Family
AW1846.2020		Bakewell	Yes	Yes	Dog	Killa	Chi x	Male	18	Cream white	
AW1847.2021		Fly Creek	Yes	Yes	Cat	Meow Meow	DSH	Female	12	Tortie	Friend/Family
AW1848.2021		Stuart Park	Yes	Yes	Cat	Nai'a	DSH	Female	12	Calico	Stray
AW1849.2021		Palmerston	Yes		Cat	Izu	DSH	Female	7	Grey	Stray
AW1850.2021		Moulden	Yes		Dog	Scoobydoo	Arab x	Male	9	Tan	
AW1851.2022		Howard Springs	Yes	Yes	Dog	Tangles	GH x	Female	18	White and tan	Stray
AW1852.2022		Moulden	Yes		Dog	Coco	Staffy x	Female	6	Brindle	Unreg Breeder
AW1853.2022		Karama	Yes		Dog	Bandit	Cattle dog	Male	26	Blue	Unreg Breeder
AW1854.2022		Lyons	Yes		Dog	Willow	Jack Russ X	Female	12	Tricolour	Unreg Breeder
AW1855.2023		Bellamack	Yes		Cat	Simba	DSH	Male	3	Ginger	Friend
AW1856.2023		Driver	Yes		Dog	Jabba	Staffy	Male	5	Tan	Unreg Breeder
AW1857.2023		Driver	Yes		Cat	Jess	DSH	Female	4	Black	Stray
AW1858.2018		Karama	Yes		Cat	Twilight	DSH	Female	12	Ginger	Stray
AW1859.2018		Bellamack	Yes		Cat	Scar	DSH	Male	3	Black	Friend
AW1860.2019		Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Summa	Mastiff X	female	60	Brindle	Friend
AW1861.2020		Bakewell	Yes		Dog	Nala	Staffy	Female	14	Red and white	
AW1862.2021		Katherine	Yes		Dog	Bella	Med mix	Female	72	Red	Friend
AW1863.2022		Katherine	Yes		Dog	Sunday Rose	Cata X	Female	20	Blue	Unreg Breeder
AW1864.2023		Lyons	Yes		Cat	Mr Chow	DSH	Male	10	Grey	Unreg Breeder
AW1865.2024		Moil	Yes		Dog	Sophie	Whippet	Female	22	White brindle	Unreg Breeder
AW1866.2025		Moulden	Yes		Dog	Shorty	Mix	Male	48	White	
AW1867.2026		Gray	Yes	Yes	Dog	Mia	Pitty x	Female	48	White	
AW1868.2027		Driver	Yes		Cat	Bobby	DSH	Male			Stray
AW1869.2028		Karama	Yes		Cat	Chino	DSH	Female	8	White	
AW1870.2029		Lyons	Yes		Dog	Luna	Border coll	Female	12	Black white	Unreg Breeder
AW1871.2030		Moulden	Yes		Cat	Fluffy	DSH	Male	48	Grey white	Stray
AW1872.2031		Katherine	Yes		Dog	Blue	Blue heeler	Male	36	Blue	
AW1873.2032		Karama	Yes		Dog	Patch	Blue heeler	Male	5	Blue	
AW1874.2033		Howard Springs	Yes		Dog	Licorice	Bull arab X	Female	24	Black	Unreg Breeder
AW1875.2034		Howard Springs	Yes		Dog	Simba	Bull arab X	Female	6	Black	Unreg Breeder
AW1876.2035		Humpty Doo	Yes		Cat	Mumma Cat	DSH	Female	24	Tabby	Stray
AW1877.2036		Humpty Doo	Yes		Cat	Naria	DSH	Female	24	Tabby	Stray
AW1878.2037		Muirhead	Yes		Cat	Panda	Ragdoll x	Female	18	Black white	Friend
AW1879.2038		Muirhead	Yes		Dog	Lokeigh	Blue heeler	Male	5	Tan white	Friend
AW1880.2018		Gray	Yes		Dog	Bolt	Bull arab X	Male	42	Brindle	Friend
AW1881.2018		Gray	Yes		Dog	Snowflake	Chi x	Female	4.5		Friend
AW1882.2018		Berrimah	Yes		Cat	Knuckey	DSH		24	White	Stray
AW1883.2018		Darwin River	Yes		Cat	Snow	DSH	Female	14	Tabby	Stray
AW1884.2018		Darwin River	Yes		Cat	Prim	DSH	Female	11	Grey	Stray
AW1885.2018		Gray	Yes		Cat	April	DSH	Female	36	Tortie	

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AW1886.2018		Katherine	Yes		Dog		Dingo x	Male			Abused
AW1887.2018		Moulden	Yes	Yes	Dog	Bard	Maltese X	Male	12	White	Friend
AW1888.2018		Moulden	Yes	Yes	Cat	Dennis	DSH	Male	6	Cream white	Gumtree
AW1889.2018		Malak	Yes		Dog	Scooby	Jack Russ X	Male	8	White black	Friend
AW1890.2018		Malak	Yes	Yes	Cat	barnum	DSH	Male	4	Black and white	Stray
AW1891.2018		Durack	Yes		Dog	Gem	Maltese x	Female	10	Black	Friend
AW1892.2018		Stuart Park	Yes		Cat	Lunar	DSH	Female	6	Black	Friend
AW1893.2018		Stuart Park	Yes		Dog	Shazza	Mix	Female	30	Tan	Stray
AW1894.2018		Malak	Yes		Dog	Millie	Dane x	Female	2	White	
AW1895.2018		Bellamack	Yes		Dog	Dozer	Pitbull	Male	60	Tan	Friend
AW1896.2018		Howard Springs	Yes	Yes	Dog	Baylee	Staffy x	Male		Brindle	Facebook
AW1897.2018		Howard Springs	Yes	Yes	Dog	Rylee	Staffy x	Male		W B Brindle	Facebook
AW1898.2018		West Arnhem	Yes		Dog	Shadow	Mix	Female		Black tan	Stray
AW1899.2019		Durack	Yes		Dog	Marley	Border Collie	Female	48	Chocolate	
AW18100.2020		Darwin River	Yes		Dog	Campy	Dingo x	Male	24	Tan	
AW18101.2021		Darwin River	Yes		Dog	Lilly	chi x	Female	120	Black	
AW18102.2022											
AW18103.2023											
AW18104.2024						Winky??					
AW18105.2025		Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Bruce	Catah x	Male	5	Black and tan	
AW18106.2026		The Narrows	Yes		Dog	Patch	Mastiff x	Male	24	Tan on white	
AW18107.2027		Karama	Yes	Yes	Dog	Snow	'Red heeler x	Female	36	White	
AW18108.2028		Karama	Yes	Yes	Dog	Grouch	Pitbull x	Male	18	Brown	
AW18109.2029		Millner	Yes		Dog	Bella	Kelpie x	Female	8	Brindle	Pound
AW18110.2030		Woodroffe	Yes		Dog	Narla	Mastiff X	Female	16	Tan white	Unreg Breeder
AW18111.2031		Woodroffe	Yes	Yes	Dog	Ava	Cattle dog	Female	5	Tan	
AW18112.2032		Woodroffe	Yes	Yes	Dog	Winter	Cattle dog	Female	5	Tan white	
AW18113.2033		Katherine	Yes		Dog	Panda	Bull arab X	Female	36	Black white	Friend
AW18114.2034		Humpty Doo	Yes		Cat	Kitty	DSH	Female		Grey black whtie	Stray
AW18115.2035		Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Lexi	Wolfhound x	Female	12	Black white	Unreg Breeder
AW18116.2036		Humpty Doo	Yes		Dog	Moppy		Female	72		Friend
AW18117.2037		Humpty Doo	Yes		Cat	Fuz Bud	Ragdoll x	Female	24	White	Friend
AW18118.2038		Moil	Yes		Cat	Pud Pud	DLH	Male	30	Patchy	Friend
AW18119.2039		Herbert	Yes		Dog	Forrest	Blue heeler	Female	11	Black white	
AW18120.2040		Rosebery	Yes		Dog	Marley	Lab x	Female	4	Brown	Unreg Breeder



# PALMERSTON ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	7.1.1
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>	Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Conference – City of Palmerston Uniform Animal Management Legislation Motion
<b>REPORT NUMBER:</b>	PAMAC12
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	27 February 2019
<b>Author:</b>	Director Corporate Services, Chris Kelly
<b>Approver:</b>	Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli

### **PURPOSE**

This report seeks provides the committee with the motion that was presented by the City of Palmerston to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) conference.

#### **Municipal Plan:**

1. Community & Cultural Wellbeing
  - 1.2 Safe Communities
    - 1.2 We are committed to ensuring the safety and security of our community.

### **KEY ISSUES**

- Item PAMRG/0126 of the Action Report requests that “a copy of Council’s LGANT’s motion regarding uniform animal management laws be presented at the next PAMRG meeting for information.”
- This motion was carried by LGANT with a minor amendment.
- The motion is attached for the committee’s information.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Report Number PAMAC12 entitled Local Government Association of the Northern Territory Conference – City of Palmerston Uniform Animal Management Legislation Motion be received and noted.

### **BACKGROUND**

Item PAMRG/0126 of the Action Report requests that “a copy of Council’s LGANT’s motion regarding uniform animal management laws be presented at the next PAMRG meeting for information.”

This report provides a copy of that motion to the Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee for their information.

## **DISCUSSION**

The motion, at **Attachment A** was presented to Council on 4 September 2018 and was endorsed by Council to be presented at the LGANT conference held in November 2018, which read "THAT LGANT lobby the Northern Territory Government to introduce Northern Territory uniform animal management legislation."

The conference considered the motion and the conference minutes recorded the following observations:

- *Inconsistencies with neighbouring councils which raises issues particularly when animals move between councils including dangerous dogs without notification required to the new council of the animal's movements. Other remote jurisdictions including West Australia have consistent legislation.*
- *Litchfield Council offered the addition of the word "domestic" included in the motion.*
- *Clarification was sought that dog issues are a council issue not a police issue,*
- *Alice Springs Town Council suggested working with surrounding councils to develop bylaws especially noting the time it can take to pass legislation.*
- *The City of Palmerston highlighted that tying up parliamentary counsel time for drafting individual bylaws would be longer than drafting a single piece of legislation which will create a standard and workable solution for all councils.*

The motion was amended to include the word "domestic", so that the motion adopted by LGANT read as "THAT LGANT lobby the Northern Territory Government to introduce Northern Territory uniform domestic animal management legislation." Council continues to follow with LGANT on progress of advocacy on this matter.

## **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

No community consultation has been identified as these motions will form part of LGANT's policy statement or result in legislative change led by the Northern Territory Government.

The Top End Regional Organisation of Councils (TOPROC) has endorsed advocacy for uniform NT legislation on animal management at their most recent meeting.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications for this report.

## **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

If Council is required to amend its Animal Management By-Laws as a result of legislative change, any costs will be met from existing funding set aside for compliance and legislative review.

## **RISK, LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

The risk from continuing with inconsistent animal management laws is that these rules differ between jurisdictions and make consistency and co-operation between local governments difficult. There is also no consistent management of dangerous dogs or mechanism for outlawing breeds in the Northern Territory. Local Government will also miss out on an opportunity for better information sharing between jurisdictions.

## **ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no environment sustainability implications for this report.

## **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

We the author and approving officer declare that we do not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

**Attachment A:** LGANT Motion entitled Uniform Animal Management Laws





## LGANT CALL FOR POLICY AND 'ACTION' MOTIONS

### About this document

The purpose of this document is for it to be used as a template for member councils to submit motions to LGANT on issues so they can be considered for adoption as LGANT policy or as actions for LGANT to do at either the April or November General meetings each year or the monthly Executive meetings. The timeframes for submitting motions are ten days before an Executive meeting and six weeks for a General meeting (General meeting agenda has to be submitted 28 days before a meeting and Executive meeting agenda six days before a meeting). Motions can be submitted at any time and will be put to the first available meeting depending on when they are received.

LGANT will research and assess each policy or action proposal and if necessary discuss it with the proponent member council and the Executive will then later decide at one of its meetings whether to adopt the policy or not, or take the action or not, or to put it to a general meeting for decision.

### Title: **Uniform Animal Management Laws**

#### **1. *What is your Motion?***

THAT LGANT lobby the Northern Territory Government to introduce Northern Territory uniform animal management legislation.

#### **2. *How is the motion relevant to Northern Territory Local Government?***

Animal management is the responsibility of local government in the Northern Territory, however unlike other states, there is no uniform legislation providing guidance and consistency between local government areas.

#### **3. *What are your key points in support of your motion?***

Under current practice, local governments in the Northern Territory have their own legislative arrangements for animal management, in particular dog registration, ownership requirements and management of dog attacks. These rules differ between jurisdictions and make consistency and co-operation between local governments difficult. There is also no consistent management of dangerous dogs or mechanism for outlawing breeds in the Northern Territory. A recent example saw a dog which attacked another dog and a woman relocated from Palmerston to Litchfield following a court decision, however there was no mechanism for sharing information on the history of the dog. In that case, Council staff from Palmerston advised staff from Litchfield, however this will not be possible in all cases as dog relocations may not be known to the local government the dog has left.

Several states like Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia have uniform legislation on animal management. The *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act (Qld) 2008*, *Dog and Cat Management Act (SA) 1995* and the *Dog Act (WA) 1976*,

including relevant regulations, have been established to achieve several objectives including:

- consolidating requirements;
- protecting the environment;
- providing for the identification of dogs;
- providing for the registration of dogs;
- providing for the effective management of regulated dogs; and
- promoting the responsible ownership of dogs.

This is achieved through placing several uniform requirements on local governments which also include to record and share information.

Each Council has the responsibility to administer and enforce the relevant legislation within their communities.

The Top End Regional Organisation of Councils (TOPROC) has also endorsed advocacy for uniform NT legislation on animal management at their most recent meeting.

The aim of introducing Territory legislation is to improve animal management in the Northern Territory and consistency of legislation across local government in the Northern Territory.

The City of Palmerston is therefore calling on LGANT to lobby the Northern Territory Government for uniform animal management legislation which exists in other states. Councils will then model their by-laws, processes and procedures on these by-laws to ensure consistency between jurisdictions. This legislative framework could also allow for the creation of a Territory-wide database on information concerning dogs, managed through microchipping records, which could be shared between local governments and could then ultimately be used as part of a national information sharing framework.

4. ***Is there a Council Resolution in support of this motion?***       Yes  No
5. ***Should the motion be LGANT policy?***       Yes  No
6. ***Contact Information***

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	7.1.2
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>	Council's Community Engagement and Initiatives 2018/19
<b>REPORT NUMBER:</b>	PAMAC10
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	27 February 2019
<b>Author:</b>	Director Corporate Services, Chris Kelly
<b>Approver:</b>	Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli

### PURPOSE

This report informs the committee Council's community engagement activities to promote responsible animal management in the Palmerston community.

#### Municipal Plan:

4. Governance & Organisation

4.2 Service

4.2 We value and encourage participation in Council activities by the community, and are committed to delivering the highest possible levels of service and community

### KEY ISSUES

- Council is committed to proactive initiatives to promote responsible animal management in the City of Palmerston area.
- Some of the most effective methods used are outreach activities that sees Council staff and Elected Members attending major community events and promoting key messages around dog registration and microchipping.
- Council also assists in the dog health program at the Palmerston Indigenous Village in partnership with Ark Animal Hospital and Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC).
- Council has increased its community engagement, including to events outside Palmerston that are attended by the Palmerston community.
- Council recently submitted a motion to LGANT on standardised animal management legislation to ensure consistency and information sharing.

### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Report Number PAMAC10 entitled Council's Community Engagement and Initiatives 2018/19 be received and noted.

### BACKGROUND

Item PAMRG/0117 requested a report be presented to the next Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Meeting that outlines the budget for upcoming and planned animal management

events and/or initiatives for the balance of the 2018/2019 financial year. This report provides that information for the committee’s consideration.

**DISCUSSION**

Community safety continues to be a focus for Council and Council works closely with community stakeholders to implement or partner in programs and initiatives aimed at increasing awareness of individual responsibility and reducing the risk of incidents.

Council is committed to proactive initiatives to promote responsible animal management in the City of Palmerston area. Some of the most effective methods used are outreach activities that sees Council staff and Elected Members attending major community events and promoting key messages around dog registration and microchipping. This includes offering free microchipping, the distribution of promotional merchandise such as dog leads and toys, and community information campaigns. These activities are not just in Palmerston, but across the Top End as Council recognises that members of the Palmerston community attend events outside the municipality, and also people outside the municipality may be moving into Palmerston. This has increased in the last 12 months, with Council having a presence at the Royal Darwin Show, Australian Army Open Day, COTA Senior’s Expo and the upcoming Fred’s Pass Show.

Council remains committed to its two major initiatives; “Brekkie in the Park” which offers free microchipping and free registration to new dogs in Palmerston, and assistance with the dog health program at Palmerston Indigenous Village (PIV) in partnership with Ark Animal Hospital and Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC).

Council’s list of events for 2018 and proposed list for 2019 are as follows:

<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
February: Defence Force Expo at the Waterfront March: Polite Pet Month May: Australian Army Open Day at Robertson Barracks June: Brekkie in the Park at Marlow Lagoon July: COTA Seniors Expo at Recreation Centre July: Royal Darwin Show October: PAWS Open Day	February: Defence Force Expo at the Waterfront March: PIV visit with Ark and AMRRIC May: Brekkie in the Park at Joan Fejo Park May: Freds Pass Show at Freds Pass Reserve July: Royal Darwin Show TBA: PAWS Open Day

Council encourages members of the committee to identify further opportunities for engagement.

Council recently submitted a motion to LGANT on standardised animal management legislation to ensure consistency and information sharing. This was adopted by LGANT, who will now lobby the Northern Territory Government on behalf of all Councils.

As part of its increased commitment to community engagement, Council has invested \$14,000 in merchandise and equipment to support its presence at events. Staff costs are absorbed within the existing budget.

**CONSULTATION PROCESS**

In preparing this report, the following City of Palmerston staff were consulted:

- Ranger Services Manager

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications for this report.

## **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

As noted above, Council has invested \$14,000 in merchandise and equipment to support its presence at events. Staff costs are absorbed within the existing budget.

## **RISK, LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

There is no risk, legal and legislative implications relating to this report.

## **ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no environment sustainability implications for this report.

## **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

We the author and approving officer declare that we do not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.



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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	7.2.1
<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>	Action Report
<b>REPORT NUMBER:</b>	PAMAC11
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	27 February 2019
<b>Author:</b>	Director Corporate Services, Chris Kelly
<b>Approver:</b>	Chief Executive Officer, Luccio Cercarelli

### **PURPOSE**

This report seeks to inform the Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee on the progress of previous actions.

#### **Municipal Plan:**

##### 4. Governance & Organisation

##### 4.1 Responsibility

4.1 We are committed to corporate and social responsibility, the sustainability of Council assets and services, and the effective planning and reporting of Council performance to the community.

### **KEY ISSUES**

- 3 actions are now recommended to be removed from the action list as they have been completed.
- 4 actions are yet to be completed however will be addressed at subsequent meetings.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee recommend to the Council:

1. THAT Report Number PAMAC11 entitled Action Report be received and noted.
2. THAT Council endorses the following items to be removed from the Action Report:
  - PAMRG/0117-Animal Management Activities/Initiatives
  - PAMRG/0119-Committee name
  - PAMRG/0126-Uniform Animal Management Laws

## BACKGROUND

At the previous meeting of 30 January 2019, the Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group accepted the following item:

### 7.1 Actions and Outstanding Topics

Dec # / Item No.	Task Date	Action/Topic	Update
PAMRG/0054	22/11/2018	THAT a report be prepared for February's meeting on cat management.	THAT a report will be presented once the DRAFT Community Plan has been adopted.
PAMRG/0100	19/07/2018	Animal Management – Options for Desexing Programs	THAT a report be presented by CoP at the March 2019 meeting regarding subsidy options for desexing of animals.
PAMRG/0117	28/11/18	Animal Management Activities/Initiatives for the remaining 2018/19 Financial Year	THAT a report be presented to the next Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Meeting that outlines the budget for upcoming and planned animal management events and/or initiatives for the balance of the 2018/2019 financial year. This matter had been referred to Council with a recommendation to present a report in February 2019.
PAMRG/0118	28/11/18	Amendments to Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Terms of Reference	Request to amend Terms of Reference is pending decision from Council. Report expected to be presented to Council at the meeting scheduled for 5th February. A report on the Terms of Reference to be presented to the group March 2019 meeting.
PAMRG/0119	28/11/18	Alteration to Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Name	Request to alter the name of PAMRG is pending a decision from Council. Report expected to be presented to Council at the meeting scheduled for 5 <sup>th</sup> February.

CARRIED 8/3001 – 30/01/2018

As part of the ongoing review of governance and reporting, Council has updated the way actions and outstanding topics are reported to the committee in line with the reporting for other advisory committees. This includes making this content the subject of its own report.

## DISCUSSION

The table below contains the actions the Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee has requested Council staff address or provide further information on.

Action Item No.	Task Date	Decision	Status	Comment
PAMRG/0054	22/11/2018	THAT a report be prepared for February's meeting on cat management.	Not started	THAT a report will be presented once the Draft Community Plan has been adopted which is expected to occur in April 2019.
PAMRG/0100	19/07/2018	Animal Management – Options for Desexing Programs	Underway	THAT a report be presented by CoP at the March 2019 meeting regarding subsidy options for desexing of animals.
PAMRG/0117	28/11/18	Animal Management Activities/Initiatives for the remaining 2018/19 Financial Year  THAT a report be presented to the next Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Meeting that outlines the budget for upcoming and planned animal management events and/or initiatives for the balance of the 2018/2019 financial year.	Item completed. Recommended for removal.	Report was presented to Council on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019. Council approved the presentation of the report to the February Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee meeting. Report is included in this agenda.
PAMRG/0118	28/11/18	Amendments to Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Terms of Reference	Underway	Report was presented to Council on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019. Council approved to undertake a review of the Terms of Reference and the outcomes will be presented to the Advisory Committee at their March 2019 meeting.
PAMRG/0119	28/11/18	Alteration to Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group Name	Item completed. Recommended for removal.	Report was presented to Council on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019. Council approved to change the name of



				the reference group to Palmerston Animal Management Advisory Committee.
PAMRG/0125	30/01/19	Membership Drive  THAT the Palmerston Animal Management Reference Group are to consider and forward to the Chair by 15 February 2019; a) Who should be on the group? b) How many community members to be on the group? c) Timing of the meeting and frequency? d) What the current group's purpose is?	Underway	The Chair has received feedback from members and this has been provided to the Chief Executive Officer. This will now be considered and a report will be presented to the Advisory Committee in March/April 2019.
PAMRG/0126	30/01/19	Uniform Animal Management Laws  THAT a copy of Council's LGANT's motion regarding uniform animal management laws be presented at the next PAMRG meeting for information.	Item completed. Recommended for removal.	A copy of Council's LGANT motion has been included in this agenda.

### **CONSULTATION PROCESS**

There was no consultation required during the preparation of this report.

### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications for this report.

### **BUDGET AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget or resource implications relating to this report.

### **RISK, LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

There is no risk, legal and legislative implications relating to this report.

### **ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no environment sustainability implications for this report.

## **COUNCIL OFFICER CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

We the author and approving officer declare that we do not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.