



Port Augusta

CITY COUNCIL



PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

PLAN RELATING TO DOGS & CATS

2022 - 2027

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Port Augusta is situated at the top of Spencer Gulf, approximately 300km north of Adelaide in South Australia. Port Augusta has a population of approximately 13,000 people and is well recognised as the 'Crossroads of Australia' being the Gateway to the Flinders Ranges, the Outback and Spencer Gulf. The community of Port Augusta enjoy an outdoor lifestyle and attracts many visitors travelling north, south, east and west annually.

The Animal Management Plan was prepared by the Port Augusta City Council (the Council), to provide a planned approach to undertaking its responsibilities pursuant to the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995*. The previous Plan (2017-2021) was established with the support of community representatives via the Animal Management Working Party with consultation undertaken with the wider community to gain input into the preparation of the Plan. Council officers undertook a review of the Animal Management Plan in 2021 to obtain endorsement from the Dog and Cat Management Board for the Animal Management Plan 2022-2027.

The Dog and Cat Management Board must approve the plan of management before it takes effect.

This Plan contains a wide range of initiatives to be implemented over a 5 year period and is seen as a vital tool in the promotion and management of responsible pet ownership throughout the city.

The Plan is effective from 1 July 2022 and expires 30 June 2027.

The Plan aims to:

- encourage responsible dog and cat ownership;
- reduce public and environmental nuisance caused by dogs and cats;
- promote the effective management of dogs and cats, whilst focusing on the need to educate the community in respect of the law relating to dogs and cats; and
- harness the benefits of dog and cat ownership and ensuring that the expenditure of dog registration fees addresses both dog and cat management issues.

Mission Statement:

‘Continue to promote and facilitate responsible ownership of dogs and cats, animal welfare and the benefits of animal companionship focusing on the legitimate needs of pets and their owners while respecting the rights of other members of the community and protecting the environment’.

2. BACKGROUND

In 2004 significant changes to the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995* were implemented. As part of these legislative provisions, Councils were required to develop and maintain Animal Management Plans for the management of dogs and cats within the community.

Council at its meeting held on 27 March 2006, adopted its first Animal Management Plan 2005-2010 and adopted its second Animal Management Plan 2011-2016 at its meeting held on 26 July 2010.

An evaluation was completed in May 2016 of the outcomes achieved against the 2011-2016 Animal Management Plan and a report was submitted to Council for information.

Significant legislative changes were introduced into Parliament as outlined within the Dog and Cat Management (Miscellaneous) Amendment Bill 2016. The main changes to the Act were:

- Microchipping – introducing a requirement for all dogs and cats to be microchipped by the proposed age of three months from 1 July 2018.
- De-sexing – introducing a requirement to de-sex all dogs and cats born after the proposed date of 1 July 2018 and by the proposed age of six months.
- Breeders – introducing a requirement that a person must not sell a dog or cat they have bred unless they are registered as a breeder with the Dog and Cat Management Board.
- Sellers – introducing a requirement for certain information to be provided to the buyer.
- Council Powers – providing Councils, which are responsible for dog and cat management in their local areas, with greater powers to administer and enforce the Act.
- Assistance Dogs – changing who can accredit animals.

Changes to the Act were passed by Parliament in July 2016. The amendments to the Act and the Regulations relating to these amendments became operational during 2017 and 2018.

Council at its meeting held on 27 February 2017, adopted the Animal Management Plan 2017-2021 following public consultation and endorsement by the Dog and Cat Management Board.

3. THE LAW/GUIDELINES

The *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995* (the Act) and *Dog and Cat Management Regulations 2017* provides the legislative framework to be adhered to in relation to the management of dogs and cats within the community.

The Council delegates powers under the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995* to the Chief Executive Officer who in-turn, with the approval of Council, sub-delegates these powers to relevant Officers within the organisation.

The General Inspectors report directly to the Director Infrastructure.

Council also has an after- hours contractor to augment the General Inspector coverage.

Enforcement Provisions:

- The Dog and Cat Management Act requires the Council to enforce the provisions of the Act in the area of the Council. The approach of the Council in the first instance will be to encourage people to accept their responsibilities of pet ownership and comply with the provisions of the Act voluntarily.
- However, the community has an expectation that public places are monitored to ensure that the provisions of the Act are complied with and that appropriately trained and authorised persons are available to respond to concerns of the community and serious breaches of the act and Council By-Laws.
- Council will allocate appropriate resources to provide after hours services to meet the community's expectations, however after-hours services will be provided for emergency situations or animal injury purposes, at the discretion of the on-call Officer.
- The Chief Executive Officer is appointed as the Registrar and Council employs two Authorised Officers. After hours support is provided by a further casual Authorised Officer and another Council officer as required.
- Council will respond to calls/complaints from members of the public regarding possible non-compliance with the provisions of the Act and Council By-Laws.

4. REVENUE

Pursuant to Section 25 of the Act the Dog and Cat Management Board administer a Dog and Cat Management Fund. Port Augusta City Council is required to contribute 12% of revenue raised through dog registration fees to the Dog and Cat Management Board.

Council annually determines its proposed dog fees. The Act requires a mandatory rebate for a 'standard dog or cat' which is one that is both microchipped and desexed. Council offers other discretionary rebates and the fee structure is available within Council's Fees and Charges Register and is available on Council's Website under 'The Council' – 'Council Documents' – 'Registers'.



5. OPEN SPACE STRATEGY

The Open Space Strategy (the Strategy) and Community Land Management Plan (CLMP) have been formulated by Council to assist in achieving the aims of this Plan. Animal management should be included in the future planning, development, management and maintenance of open spaces within the City. The Strategy takes into account a number of issues with respect to domestic animals, including:

- provision of facilities for dogs and dog walkers;
- health, safety and aesthetic impact of animal faeces within open space;
- dog controls within open space (i.e. off-leash, on-leash, prohibited areas), including adequate off-leash areas for dog exercise.

The Strategy and CLMP supports a range of dog controls across the City, which recognise the primary function of each reserve and the rights of other park users. These documents also support the development of some specific dog exercise and training areas and facilities across the city, the number and location of which will depend on:

- the main function of a particular park and location of parks;
- dog exercise requirements, i.e. suitable fencing, water, interesting activities/terrain for dogs, large enough area etc; and
- distribution of dog owners across the city, which may vary from time to time.

These areas are included on Council's website available by searching "Dog Leash Schedule" in the main search function and at:

https://www.portaugusta.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0028/1063189/Schedule-Dogs-On-Leash,-Off-Leash,-Special-Restrictions-and-Prohibited-2022-2027.pdf

The Strategy and CLMP makes the following specific recommendations about domestic animals:

- support a range of dog controls across the city, which recognises the primary function of each reserve and the needs of other park users.
- Input of dog owners regarding the planning of open space development should be sought during the consultation with the general community as well as through focus groups.
- Support the need for initiatives regarding the management of dog faeces in public places
- Provide education for dog owners.
- Investigate need for small dog parks and large dog parks



To identify the open space areas within Port Augusta, please refer to the *Open Space Strategy*, *Community Land Management Plans* and *Animal Management Plans*. All of these documents identify the types and use of various open spaces and the management of the areas.

These documents are available for access on Council's website www.portaugusta.sa.gov.au Hardcopies are available for purchase, for a fee as determined by Council and outlined within the Fees and Charges Register, from the Civic Centre, 4 Mackay Street, Port Augusta.

Dedicated fenced open space where owners can allow dogs to roam off leash have well known social benefits for both the owners and their pets. Conversely, they are also known to potentially have negative aspects such as accelerating the spread of disease and dog fights injuring animals.

Infrastructure for a well-designed and managed Fenced Off Leash Dog Park (FOLDP) can cost in the order \$150,000, with maintenance costs in the order of \$5,000 per year depending on the level of service and adjacent facilities.

6. COUNCIL'S MANAGEMENT OF DOGS

6.1 Dog Registration

Pursuant to Section 33 of the *Dog and Cat Management Act 1995*, dogs of or over 3 months of age must be registered. Expiation fees apply to unregistered dogs so it is very important that dog owners ensure that their dog/s registration is up to date and renewed by the due date. Council applies the expiation fee of \$170 and a late fee of \$15 as from 1 September each year, to all dogs that have not had their registrations renewed by the due date of 31 August each year. All dog information and registrations are held in Dogs and Cats Online www.dogsandcatsonline.com.au Owners are encouraged to register and maintain their dog/s information through this portal. Registrations can also be paid at the Council office if owner is unable to register online.

Port Augusta City Council offers a number of dog registration discounts and these are available for perusal on Council's website under 'The Council' – 'Council Documents' – 'Registers' – 'Fees and Charges'.

6.2 Detention arrangements of dogs seized

Council operates the Animal Pound at Prosser Street, Port Augusta that includes a secure holding area for seized dogs. Dogs seized are advertised on Council's Facebook page – Lost and Found Animals – Port Augusta City Council, which assists in ensuring that dogs are returned to their owners as soon as possible.

When a dog is found wandering at large and is seized, Authorised Officers endeavour to identify the owner of the dog by checking for a microchip or any other visible signs, such as a dog name tag with contact details or alternatively a Dog Registration tag. If the owner can be identified immediately contact will be made with the owner to collect their pet from the Animal Pound. Alternatively, if the owner cannot be identified, the dog will be held at the Pound for 72 hours, after which Officers will, if the dog is suitable to be rehomed try to rehome the dog or pass it onto a Pet Rescue group. If owner identification is not able to be ascertained and the dog is not able, for whatever reason, to be rehomed, the dog will be transferred to the Council's local service provider to be euthanised.

When a dog is taken to the Pound without identification, all efforts will be made to locate the owner by way of Council's *Lost and Found Facebook Page*.

Dog owners are required to desex all new generations of dogs by the age of six months. Owners will not be required to desex dogs born before 1 July 2018, however desexing of all dogs is supported and encouraged.

Dog owners are required to microchip all dogs including new pups by the age of three months.

6.3 By-laws

Port Augusta City Council has a Dog By-Law which provides further legal provisions in relation to the management and control of dogs within the area. The By-Law is available on Council's website under 'The Council' – 'Council Documents' – 'By-Laws'.

6.4 Partnerships established with community organisations

Council has worked to develop strong relationships with local organisations including:

a) *Veterinary Services*

[Port Augusta Veterinary Services](#)

[Redgum Vet & Pet Boarding](#)

40 Railway Parade
Port Augusta SA 5700
Phone: 86424011

24 Woodcock Street
Port Augusta SA 5700
Phone: 86423308

b) *Training organisations*

The Port Augusta Dog Club operates at the Port Augusta Community Clubrooms, Gardiner Avenue, Port Augusta West. Contact with the Dog Club can be made on 0427 001 011 or email to portaugustadogclub@hotmail.com or via Facebook page 'Port Augusta Dog Club' to ascertain the various services and training sessions held weekly. Council supports the Dog Club through the provision of facilities at the Westside Community Clubrooms at a minimal charge.

7. COUNCIL'S MANAGEMENT OF CATS

7.1 Detention arrangements for cats seized

All cats caught by Council are delivered to Council's local service provider, and all unidentified cats are assessed for suitability for rehoming or euthanised or rehomed at their discretion. The owners of any cats identified by a microchip or other identification on the cat will be notified by the Council's local service provider or Authorised Officer of collection arrangements. If the cat is assessed as being friendly a domestic pet and well cared for every effort will be made to find the owner, however if this is not possible, within a 24 hour period the Council's local service provider may try to rehome the animal or alternatively euthanise it.

Unlike dogs, cats are not provided for by the Act with a window of opportunity (e.g. 72 hours) to find owners, and to protect the lives of cats, it is in the best interest of the owner, to ensure that cats are microchipped and registered with the chip registration body Dogs and Cats Online, so that they can be returned home quickly and safely. Cat owners are required to desex all new generations of cats born after 1 July 2018 and by the age of six months. Owners will not be required to desex cats born before 1 July 2018, though the desexing of all cats is highly recommended and encouraged.

While owners are not be required to desex cats born before 1 July 2018, the desexing of all cats is highly recommended and encouraged

Costs are incurred by Council's local service provider for boarding cats that are seized and while trying to locate the owner. These costs will be recouped by the local service provider upon return and collection of the cat to the owner. If the owner refuses to pay these costs the Council local service provider's policy will be initiated. The owner and Council's local service provider will negotiate these conditions.

Cat owners are required to microchip all cats by the age of three months, and regulations require that you register your cat microchip details with Council. Even if not required under the regulations, cat owners are encouraged to enter their cat/s details on Dogs and Cats online at www.dogsandcatsonline.com.au.

Council strongly encourages people to register their cat and is considering introducing a registration fee for cats to assist council with delivering cat management to the community.

7.2 Services available from Council

Council has introduced a Cat Cage hire process, whereby a member of the community who is experiencing a cat nuisance can hire a Cat Cage from the Animal Pound. If a cat is caught, the community member will then take the cat in the cage to Council's local service provider, and then return the Cat Cage.

7.3 *By-Laws*

Port Augusta City Council has a Cat By-Law which provides further legal provisions in relation to the management and control of cats within its area. The By-Law is available on Council's website under 'The Council' – 'Council Documents' – 'By-Laws'.

Council addresses complaints from members of the community in relation to wandering cats and if a nuisance is being caused by cat/s in a neighbourhood, Council has cat trap hire options to assist residents in capture and removal of the cats. If cats are identified, Authorised Officers and Council's local service provider take this opportunity to promote responsible pet ownership with the owner and the importance of containing cats on their own property.



PLAN OF MANAGEMENT RELATING TO DOGS AND CATS

8. OBJECTIVES/STRATEGIES/MEASURES (KPI)

| 8.1 COUNCIL OPERATIONS | | | |
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| a) Council authorised officers have capacity to administer and enforce the Dog and Cat Management Act | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Appropriately Trained Workers | Staff undertake training, as required, relating to new legislative provisions under the Dog and Cat Management Act. Staff are trained and qualified. | Type and number of training sessions attended Staff are trained and qualified, or are supported by trained and qualified staff until they are suitably trained. |
| b) Education of the community | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Greater knowledge of the dog and cat legislative provisions | Continue to promote the need for breeders to be registered with the Dog and Cat Management Board | Number of promotional activities undertaken Number of Port Augusta breeders registered with the DCMB |
| ii. | | Continue to promote legislation requiring all new generations of dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018 by 6 months of age to be desexed over 6 months of age. | Number and types of promotional activities undertaken Number of new generation dogs and cats de-sexed annually |
| iii. | | Continue to promote legislation requiring all dogs and cats three months of age or older to be microchipped. | Number and types of promotional activities undertaken Number of dogs and cats three months of age or older microchipped annually. Annual reduction in unidentified cats found not microchipped or desexed. Annual reduction in nuisance cat complaints. |
| iv. | | Implement or support various campaigns, such as Wandering Dog and Cat Campaigns and benefits of identification to highlight various issues relating to responsibility pet ownership. | Number and type of campaigns undertaken or supported annually. Annual reduction in dogs and Cats wandering at large and cats trapped. Annual reduction in dogs and cats found not microchipped or desexed. |
| v. | | Participate at community events with other local organisations to promote dog and cat ownership and encourage positive behaviours of pets and their owners. | Events participated in and target audience. |

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| vi. | | Provide educational material for display and circulation to membership, clients etc to promote responsible pet ownership to Veterinary Clinics, Library, Dog Club, Local Rescue Group, Schools, Civic Centre. | Number of pamphlets/brochures circulated. Number and type of different locations where educational material was distributed. |
| vii. | Ensure up-to-date promotional materials available. | Regularly review and update promotional material to ensure it is accurate. Promotional material is sourced from the Dogs and Cat Management Board. | Types and promotional material provided. |
| c) Effective Reporting and Management Structures | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Maintain appropriate reporting mechanisms for all reporting requirements under the <i>Dog and Cat Management Act 1995</i> to ensure timely reporting to the Board. | Implement reporting system for compliance with regulatory provisions Ensure Council's Dog Incident Reports are uploaded to the DCMB Dog Incident System. Maintaining a close relationship with the Dog and Cat Management Board to ensure responsibilities are met. | Reporting System developed and implemented Number and type of reports generated. Reporting responsibilities are completed on time. |
| d) Community awareness of pet ownership benefits and responsibilities | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| ii. | Provide links on Council's Website to other appropriate websites for easy access to relevant services. | Provide links on Council's Website to other appropriate websites about dogs and cats to facilitate access to relevant services and information. | Number of links listed on Council Website and names of Groups/Services. |
| iii. | Community adequately informed of Dogs On-Leash, Off-Leash and Prohibited areas. | Review and update the Dogs On-leash, Off-leash and Prohibited areas. | Schedule of On-Leash, Off-Leash and Prohibited areas reviewed and advertised on Council's Website. |
| e) Visitor Information/Facilities | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Provide relevant information to various services within Port Augusta and Stirling North to ensure visitors are aware of dog and cat management services that are available. | Supply Brochures to accommodation facilities including caravan/cabin parks on dog on-leash, off-leash and prohibited areas within the City | Number of facilities provided with brochures. |

| f) Registration of Dog and Cat Breeders <u>and Sellers</u> | | | |
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| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Promote the new legislative requirements for all breeders to be registered with the Dog and Cat Management Board | Actively investigate any pup and kitten litters identified for sale and ensure that the owners are registered with the Dog and Cat Management Board in accordance with the Act. | Reduction in the number of breeders identified non-compliances. |
| ii. | Help ensure breeders and sellers are compliant with the Act | Educate owners who breed and sell to be registered with the Board if their dog or cat has a litter of pups or kittens. | Number of promotional activities undertaken. Number of expiation notices issued for breach of the Act. Number of breeders registered with the Board from Port Augusta. |

| 8.2 DOG MANAGEMENT | | | |
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| a) Dog Registration | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | High level of dog registration achieved | Promote dog registrations annually | Annual reduction in dogs not registered. |
| ii. | Increased knowledge of legislative provisions around registration by community | Undertake door knocks to identify and ensure any unregistered dog is registered, subject to available resources. | Number of Door Knocks undertaken and number of dogs identified and registered as a result. |
| b) Mandatory Microchip Identification | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Provide incentives to the community to assist in microchipping programs | Partner with Council's local service provider to offer discounted microchipping days | Annual reduction in the number of dogs found not to be microchipped. |
| c) Mandatory De-sexing | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Provide incentives to the community to assist in desexing programs | Partner with Council's local service provider to offer discounted de-sexing days | Annual reduction in the number of dogs found not to be desexed. |
| ii. | Increase awareness of benefits of de-sexing | Encourage Council's local service provider to promote the benefit of dog desexing. Promote voluntary desexing for older dogs through new mandatory rebate for 'standard dog' (dog that is microchipped and desexed). Distribution of information on the benefits of desexing to Dog Club & Veterinary Clinics and display at Council Office. | Promotional material provided by Council. Increased number of 'Standard Dog' registrations. Number of Types of information provided. |

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| d) Wandering At Large | | | |
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| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Reduced number of dogs wandering at large | Respond to complaints regarding wandering dogs to ensure safety of the public | Number of reports followed up regarding wandering dogs |
| ii. | Identification of Dogs Wandering at Large | Continue to conduct random patrols of all public places and detain dogs found to be wandering at large | Number of dogs seized. |
| iii. | Return of registered or identified dogs found wandering at large to their owners | Use all avenues available to identify and return dogs wandering at large to owners | Number of dogs return to owners. |
| iv. | Advertise events where fireworks, defence force manoeuvres or weather could impact on numbers of dogs wandering at large | Proactively promote events and other activities as a reminder to pet owners to secure their pets, as necessary | Types of advertising undertaken. |
| e) Faeces Management | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Pet owners remove all faeces from public places when exercising their pets | Provide and promote facilities (doggie do bins dispensers) to ensure collection of faeces in public spaces by pet owners | Types of facilities provided. Reduction in fines issued for faeces breaches. |
| f) Barking Dogs | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Reduction in the number of complaints regarding barking dogs. | Provide information to owners of dogs where a complaint has been received regarding their pet barking and highlight various methods to control barking. Educational information provided through the Community Newsletter in relation to the reasons why dogs bark and how to address the issue. Require re-offenders relating to barking dogs to attend an 'approved training course' to address barking as part of a Control Order. | Number of complaints received and resolved. Identify number of reoffending complaints. Number of Articles published. Number of re-offenders required to attend 'approved training course'. |
| g) Attacks and harassments reporting | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Decrease in dog attacks | Promote the consequences of dog attacks and prevention strategies | Number of dog attack reports Types of prevention strategies information provided. |
| ii. | Dog attacks and harassment as reported and acted upon | Promote and encourage the reporting of all dog attacks and harassment whether in a public place or on private property. All reported dog incidents logged on DCMB Dog Incident System | Number of attacks reported. |

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| h) Impounded Dogs | | | |
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| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Continue to promote the rehoming program of dogs suitable for rehoming. <i>(A dog suitable for rehoming would have no aggressive or behavioural traits and assessed on a case by case basis).</i> | Advertise any dogs for rehoming through Councils rehoming program if seized and not claimed. | Number of Dogs successfully rehomed. |
| i) Dog By-law | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Dog By-law outlines a number of provisions for the control and management of dogs. | Review Council's Dog By-Law. | By-Law review completed. |
| j) Fenced Off-Leash Dog Park | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Explore the provision of a high quality fenced off leash dog park, and if suitable consider installation. | Identify potential areas where a fenced off leash dog park could be established, consult with the general community and adjacent residents, and seek external funding | Report presented to Council on potential sites, the issues, and potential funding opportunities, |
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| 8.3 CAT MANAGEMENT | | | |
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| a) Mandatory Microchip Identification | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Provide incentives to the community to assist in microchipping programs | Partner with Council’s local service provider to offer discounted microchipping days. Where the ownership of a cat who is not can microchipped can be confirmed, council may offer to waive the expiation fee if the owner has their cat microchipped. | Reduction in the number of cats found not to be microchipped. |
| b) Mandatory De-sexing | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Provide incentives to the community to assist in desexing programs | Partner with Council’s local service provider to offer discounted de-sexing days | Reduction in the number of cats found not to be desexed. |
| ii. | Increase awareness of benefits of de-sexing | Encourage Council’s local service provider to promote the benefit of cat desexing. Work with Council’s local service providers to promote desexing of fertile and undesexed cats to reduce number of unwanted litters. | Promotional material provided by Council. Reduced number of kitten litters surrendered annually. |
| c) Owner responsibility | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Appropriate surrender of kittens | Work with Council’s local service provider to promote desexing of older breeding cats to reduce number of unwanted litters. | Reduced number of kitten litters surrendered annually. |
| ii. | Increased awareness of owner responsibility and types of enclosures available to reduce nuisance cats | Pamphlets provided to owners of seized cats to enable them to consider an appropriate enclosure to secure their pet onsite. Actively promote the benefits of cat runs as part of broader consultation on animal management | Number of pamphlets issued. Inclusion of cat run information in social media campaigns or similar |

| 8.3 CAT MANAGEMENT | | | |
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| d) Cat Trap Hire | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Proactively manage unowned and nuisance cat issues within the City | Cat traps are available for use by members of the public as requested. | Number of cat traps hired annually. Number of cats trapped. |
| ii. | | Cat Traps made available, at authorised officers discretion where unidentified or unowned cat infestation is high, and consideration given to a program to trap these cats. | Number of cat traps provided free of charge Number of feral cats captured and euthanised or rehomed |
| iii. | | Continue to encourage people with semi owned cats to fully adopt or surrender to Council. Educate the community about the risks with feeding unowned cats | Number of cats fully adopted. Number of cats handed into Council and euthanised. |
| e) Receiving seized cats and impounding Cats | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i | Appropriate management of cats trapped | Enter in contract with a local service provider who will endeavour to identify the cat and either return, rehome or euthanise the animal as determined on a case by case basis | Number of cats trapped. Number of cats returned, rehomed or euthanised annually |
| f) Cat By-Law | | | |
| | Objective | Strategies | Measures |
| i. | Cat By-law outlines a number of provisions for the control and management of cats. | Review Council's Cat By-Law. | By-Law review completed. |

9. Related Documents

- 9.1 By-Law #5 – Dogs
- 9.2 By-Law #7 – Cats
- 9.3 Dog and Cat Management Policy
- 9.4 Open Space & Playspace Strategy
- 9.5 Community Land Management Plans
- 9.6 Dogs On-leash, Off-leash and Prohibited Schedule
- 9.7 Type of Brochures provided:
 - 9.7.1 List of Dogs On-Leash, Off-Leash, Prohibited and Special Restrictions Parks
 - 9.7.2 www.dogandcatboard.com.au
- 9.8 Schedule of on-leash and Off Leash areas. See www.portaugusta.sa.gov.au

