



# Government of South Australia

## Dog and Cat Management Board BULLETIN

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### 1. The Bulletin - Introduction

The Dog and Cat Management Board is keen to ensure that all interested parties are aware of the Board's activities and have the opportunity to contribute, provide suggestions and comment on Board proposals. To this end, the Board distributes a bulletin to interested individuals and groups on a monthly basis after each meeting. Your comments and feedback on any issues in the bulletin are welcome. The Board can be contacted through the Executive Officer:

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### 2. Board - New & re-nominated Members

The Board is back at full strength with the appointments of five members to the Board, two of which were new appointments.

Cr Rosalie Haese (West Torrens) and Cr Irene Whenan (Marion) were appointed to the Board along with returning members Cr Jeff Cook (Yorke Peninsula), Dr Ian McBryde and Ms Sarah Harris. **Welcome!**

### 3. Communications – Strategy approved

The Board's communications strategy to promote responsible dog ownership has been approved and is in the process of being implemented. The Board is currently in the process of calling for tenders from advertising agencies who will produce the materials for the communications campaign.

### 4. Dog Registrations – Long-term options

The Board will distribute a discussion paper on long-term registration to all stakeholders for comment. Prepared by a sub-committee appointed by the Board, this document proposes one to three year terms for registration.

#### 5. Animal Management Plans – 6 Endorsed

The following six Animal Management Plans were received and endorsed at the December Board meeting:

- ❑ Wakefield Regional Council
- ❑ District Council of Karoonda East Murray
- ❑ Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council
- ❑ Campbelltown City Council
- ❑ Adelaide City Council
- ❑ Adelaide Hills Council

Subject to minor changes to the contents of some of the above plans, they will join the others already available on the Board's website (<http://www.dogsncats.asn.au/>)

#### 6. Golden Rules – Cats are next

A brochure on the Golden Rules for Cats is currently being developed for distribution. The Golden Rules for Cats will target cat owners and others who contribute to the care of cats in the community.

#### 7. Grants - Seasonal

The Board has decided that Community and Research grant applications will only be received in February and March so that application processing and financial planning could be streamlined and optimised.

#### 8. Stakeholders – meeting in 2007

The Board plans to meet stakeholders in early 2007 to discuss issues relating to dog and cat management.

#### 9. Rights and Responsibilities - Online

A booklet on the Rights and Responsibilities of Animal Management Officers (AMO's) will be published on the council zone of the Board's website. An online document could easily accommodate future changes, if any, to the legislation.

#### 10. Award - Kangaroo Island Council

The Board noted that Kangaroo Island Council had been awarded a Commendation by the Civic Trust for their Dog and Cat Management Plan.

#### 11. UAM – New conveners

The newly formed Australian Institute of Animal Management (AIAM) will convene future Urban Animal Management (UAM) conferences. Corporate membership - \$500.

#### 12. Funding – AWL & RSPCA

The Board has agreed to provide \$50,000 to the Animal Welfare league (AWL) and the RSPCA for the 2006-2007 financial year. Of this \$40,000 will be for pound operations and \$10,000 for special projects.

#### 13. Council Audits

The Board has audited fifteen councils in 2006 and has scheduled another fifteen Councils in 2007.

Audits completed in 2006	Audits planned for 2007
Adelaide Hills Council	Adelaide City Council
Barossa Council	Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council
City of Burnside	The District Council of Coober Pedy
Regional Council of Goyder	Town of Gawler
District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula	The District Council of Grant
City of Marion	City of Holdfast Bay
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Kingston District Council
City of Onkaparinga	Light Regional Council
City of Playford	The District Council of Mallala
City of Port Augusta	City of Mitcham
City of Prospect	The District Council of Mount Barker
Municipal Council of Roxby Downs	City of Mt Gambier
City of Tea Tree Gully	District Council of Robe
City of Victor Harbor	Wakefield Regional Council
Corporation of the Town of Walkerville	Wattle Range Council
<b>Councils audited in 2005 :</b> Campbelltown, Charles Sturt, Salisbury, Tatiara, Yorke Peninsula	