

## Draft Control of Animals (Excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw 2018

### Summary of Information

This Summary is made in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002 (the Act).

The Summary:

- Summarises the information in the Statement of Proposal to adopt the Draft Control of Animals (Excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw 2018
- Explains how to access the full Statement of Proposal
- Outlines details of the period during which the Council will accept submissions on the proposal.

### Key Points in the Statement of Proposal

1. Under sections 158 to 160 of the Act, the Council is required to review all bylaws within five years of their adoption and every ten years thereafter.
2. Council staff have reviewed Part 5: Control of Animals (Excluding Dogs) Bylaw 2008 and consider that overall, it is generally fit for purpose.
3. The existing bylaw is a part of the Consolidated Bylaw which means that a user needs to also read Part 1: Introduction to access all relevant information. Council considers this bylaw should be stand-alone, and therefore all relevant information from Part 1 has been included in the draft bylaw.
4. The existing section *Slaughter of Stock* is outdated and not relevant in its current form because it focuses on animal welfare issues, which are dealt with legislation including through the Food Act 1981, Animal Products Act 1999, Animal Welfare Act 1999 and other Acts. This title has been changed because this section refers to the processing of animal carcasses. The replacement section in the Draft Bylaw focuses on the prevention of nuisance or public offence when animals are processed.
5. The existing section *Animal Traps* is outdated and redundant. The Animal Welfare Act 1999 and the Animal Welfare (Leg-Hold Traps) Order 2007 restricts the sale and use of traps. This section has been removed.
6. Other minor changes have been made to increase clarity and where possible, the wording has been simplified and streamlined.

The Statement of Proposal (including the Draft Control of Animals (Excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw 2018) is available to view or download from the Council's website <http://www.whakatane.govt.nz>.

Paper copies of the Statement of Proposal are also available free of charge from Council offices and District Libraries.

## Consultation and Submissions

The formal consultation process will take place from **8 November to 8 December 2017**. Council will hold a hearing in early February 2018.

Any person or organisation is welcome to make a submission on the Draft Animal Control (excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw 2018. The Council will take into account all submissions when it decides on the final content of the bylaw.

Copies of the Statement of Proposal are available on Whakatāne District Council's website <http://www.whakatane.govt.nz>

Hard copies are available from:

- Whakatāne District Council 14 Commerce Street, Whakatāne
- Whakatāne Library 49 Kahahoroa Drive, Whakatāne
- Edgecumbe Library 38 College Road, Edgecumbe
- Ohope Library 4 Harbour Road, Ohope
- Murupara Library / Service Centre Civic Square, 48 Pine Drive, Murupara

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Formal submissions may be made:

Online: <http://www.whakatane.govt.nz>

Post to: Draft Animal Control (excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw, Private Bag 1002, Whakatāne 3158.

Deliver to: Draft Animal Control (excluding Dogs), Bees and Poultry Bylaw, Whakatāne District Council, 14 Commerce Street, Whakatāne.

Email to: [submission@whakatane.govt.nz](mailto:submission@whakatane.govt.nz) Attention Bylaw Review

Informal submissions can be made by commenting on our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/WhakataneDistrictCouncil>

### **Submissions close at 5pm on Friday 8 December 2017.**

Submitters should not that their submission will be copied and made available to the public after the submission period closes.

Submission should include your name, address, telephone number and email address and should state if you wish to speak to Council in support of your submission. The Council will contact in writing, all submitters who wish to be heard to advise the confirmed time, date and venue of the hearing.