

**Attachment 2**

**Comparison of neighbouring council Dog Control Policies**

Section 10(3) Dog Control Act 1996	Manawatu District Council, 2019	Taranua District Council, 2022	Whanganui District Council, 2023
<i>Every policy adopted under this section:</i>			
	<p>Clause 1.1: 'The Council is also obliged to adopt a bylaw.... to give effect to this policy'</p> <p>Clause 5.2: 'The Bylaw provides for the enforcement of matters outlined in this policy.'</p>	[Not specified]	<p>Clause 1.4: 'Following the adoption of the Policy, Council is required to adopt a Bylaw to give effect to it.'</p>
(b) shall identify any public places in which dogs are to be prohibited, either generally or at specific times, pursuant to a bylaw made under section 20	<p>Clause 7 specifies the three control areas - prohibited public places, dog exercise areas, dog on leash areas. Clause 9 describes the reasons for identifying prohibited public places for dogs. Schedule 1 list the prohibited places.</p>	<p>Schedule 1 describes prohibited areas, exemptions to dog prohibited areas, leash controlled areas, unleashed areas (but under continuous control).</p>	<p>Clause 16 describes the five types: prohibited areas, on-leash areas, off-leash areas, designated dog exercise areas, time and season areas (where dog access rules will vary depending on time of day during summer). Schedule 1 identifies prohibited areas, exemptions to dog prohibited areas, leash controlled areas, and unleashed areas (but 'under continuous control'). Schedule 2 set out dog access rules for specific places</p>
(c) shall identify (i) any particular public places and(ii) any areas or parts of the district in which dogs (other than working dogs) in public places are to be required by a bylaw made under section 20(1)(a) to be controlled by a leash	Clause 11 and Schedule 3.	ditto	ditto
(d) shall identify those areas or parts of the district in respect of which no public places or areas are to be identified under paragraph (b) or paragraph (c)	[Not relevant]	[Not relevant]	[Not relevant]

<p>(e) shall identify any places within areas or parts of the district specified in paragraph (c)(ii) of this subsection that are to be designated by a bylaw under section 20(1)(d) as dog exercise areas in which dogs may be exercised at large</p>	<p>Schedule 2. Clause 10.4 is explicit in requiring dogs without a leash must be under control.</p>	<p>as in (b) above</p>	<p>as in (b) above</p>
<p>(ea) must state whether dogs classified by the territorial authority as menacing dogs under section 33A or 33C are required to be neutered under section 33E(1)(b) and, (i) if so, whether the requirement applies to all such dogs, and (ii) if not, the matters taken into account by it in requiring any particular dog to be neutered.</p>	<p>Clause 15.2</p>	<p>Clause 5.1 specifies that dogs classified as menacing must be neutered and microchipped. Clause 5.2 extends that dogs classified as dangerous</p>	<p>Clause 15 describes e requirements for neutering - all dogs classified as dangerous and dogs classified as menacing</p>
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<p>(f) shall include such other details as the territorial authority thinks fit including but not limited to, details of the policy in relation to (i) fees or proposed fees, (ii) owner education programmes, (iii) dog obedience course, (iv) the classification of owners, (v) the disqualification of owners, and (vi) the issuing of infringement notices</p>	<p>Clause 6 describes the process for setting fees (No fee to register a Disability Assist Dog). Clause 6.4 notes that a reduced registration fee applies to selected owners.</p> <p>Clause 12 notes access for dogs may be controlled by other legislation (e.g. for parts of land administered by the Department of Conservation).</p> <p>Clause 13 describes how Council will intervene when barking becomes a nuisance (potentially taking enforcement action under ss55-56 of the Act).</p> <p>Clause 14 describes Council's approach to wandering dogs, including impounding after a first offence.</p> <p>Clause 16 describes a Council's approach to rehoming dogs, using its relationships with known registered shelters.</p> <p>Clause 17 describes Hearing procedure,</p> <p>Clause 18 outlines the procedures for issuing and</p>	<p>Clause 5.3 sets out the procedure for declaring a dog to be a working dog. Such dogs issued with a microchip exemption.</p> <p>Clause 6.1 specifies actions (including impounding) where a dog is a nuisance (includes through barking).</p> <p>Clause 6.2 allows impounding of a dog roaming or no owner direct control</p> <p>Clause 7.2 specifies mandatory registration and microchipping of a dog registered for the first time after 1.7.2006.</p> <p>Clause 7.3 describes the Three Plus Permit which allows more than two dogs at a premises.</p> <p>Clause 8 defines obligations of boarding or breeding kennel owners.</p> <p>Clause 9 describes recognition given to responsible dog owners ('Preferred Dog Owner')</p> <p>Clause 10 requires immediate removal of dog waste.</p>	<p>Clause 6 describes fees.</p> <p>Clause 7 sets out criteria for Responsible Dog Owner classification.</p> <p>Clause 8 require owners to remove faeces. Council may provide dispensers/containers at high-use sites.</p> <p>Clause 9 set out when barking may become a nuisance leading to Council action under sections 55 and 56 of the Act (written notice, impounding)</p> <p>Clause 10 specifies no more than 3 dogs at an urban premises. 4 or more after Council approval.</p> <p>Clause 11 sets out procedures for wandering dogs - impounding after first instance.</p> <p>Clause 12 describes rehoming procedures.</p> <p>Clause 13 notes Council's promotion of education.</p>
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<p>(f) continued</p>	<p>Clause 19 describes Council's promotion of dog control/training programmes.</p>	<p>Clause 11 notes Council encourages attendance at dog obedience course.          Clause 12 states neutering requirements.          Clause 13 sets out the procedure for rehoming of dogs from the Council pound.          Clause 14 describes how a dog owner becomes disqualified and the obligations from that.          Clause 15 describes how a dog owner becomes a probationary owner and the obligations from that.          Clause 16 describes Council fee-setting requirements.          Clause 17 notes information available at Council,          Clause 18 describes impounding and release procedures at the pound.          Clause 19 notes Council's ability to issue infringement notices under the Act for breaches of the Act or bylaw.          Clause 20 requires a review of the policy every five years.</p>	<p>Clause 14 describes how a dog owner is classified as disqualified or probationary and the obligations from that.</p>
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