
Dog Control Hearings Panel

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Dog Control Hearings Panel held in Council Chamber, Municipal Building, Garden Place, Hamilton on Tuesday 28 July 2020 at 10.02am.

PRESENT

Chairperson Cr Ewan Wilson

Heamana

Members Cr Margaret Forsyth
Cr Maxine van Oosten
Cr Rob Pascoe

In Attendance: Julie Sanderson – Group Business Manager
Peter Crocker - Animal Control Team Leader

Governance Staff: Amy Viggers – Governance Team Leader
Carmen Fortin and Ian Loiterton - Governance Advisor

Cr Wilson and Cr van Oosten took part in the meeting and voted via Audio Visual Link.

1. Apologies – Tono aroha

Resolved: (Cr Ewan/Cr Pascoe)

That the apologies for absence from Cr Forsyth are accepted.

2. Confirmation of Agenda – Whakatau raarangi take

Resolved: (Cr Ewan/Cr van Oosten)

That the agenda is confirmed noting that item 7 (Objection to disqualification from dog ownership - Ropata Marshall) was deferred to a future meeting of the panel on 1 September 2020.

3. Declarations of Interest – Tauaakii whaipanga

No members of the Council declared a Conflict of Interest.

Item 5 (Objection to dangerous classification - Yalda Ahmadi) was taken after item 3 (Declarations of Interest – Tauaakii whaipanga) to accommodate members of the public.

5. Objection to dangerous classification - Yalda Ahmadi

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Pascoe)

The following motion is submitted for consideration:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely consideration of the public excluded agenda.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

General subject of each matter to be considered

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
C1. Objection to dangerous classification - Yalda Ahmadi) Good reason to withhold information exists under Section 7 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987	Section 48(1)(a)

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

C1.	To maintain effective conduct of public affairs through - the protection of such members, officers, employees and person from improper pressure or harassment.	Section (7) (g)
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The meeting moved into a Public Excluded session at 10.54am.

During the Public Excluded session of the meeting was following was resolved.

5. Objection to dangerous classification - Yalda Ahmadi

Resolved: (Cr Pascoe/Cr van Oosten)

That the Dog Control Hearings Panel:

- a) receives the report;
- b) determines that the classification of "Baby" as a dangerous dog is upheld; and
- c) approves the above be released to the public.

The meeting moved into an Open session at 11.09am.

4. Confirmation of the Dog Control Hearings Panel Open Minutes - 8 May 2020

Resolved: (Cr Wilson/Cr Maxine)

That the Committee confirm the Open Minutes of the Dog Control Hearings Panel Meeting held on 8 May 2020 as a true and correct record.

4. Objection to disqualification from dog ownership - Ropata Marshall – this matter was deferred to a future meeting of the Panel during confirmation of the agenda.

The meeting was declared closed at 11.13am.