



Council Report

To: Chief Executive
From: Regulatory and Growth
Subject: **Ōtorohanga Dog Control Policy and Practices**
Date: 2024-2025

Purpose of the Report

To seek adoption of the Territorial Authority report on dog control policy and practices, prior to being made publicly available.

Summary of Key Points

Section 10A of the Dog Control Act 1996 requires Territorial Authorities to report on its dog control policy and practices each financial year

The report covers periods between 1 July to 30 June

That the Chief Executive as delegated by Council;

- Receives the report
- Approves the report for publication in accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996

Appendix

Appendix 1 - Summary of activity

Legislative requirement

Section 10A of the Dog control Act 1996, subsection 1, requires Territorial Authorities to report on their dog control policy and activities annually. The report must be adopted by Council and made publicly available.

Summary of Activity

As at 30 June 2025 Ōtorohanga District had 2091 registered dogs

As at 30 June 2025 91.4% of dogs were registered

As at 30 June 2025 there are 38 menacing dogs

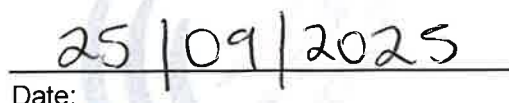
As at 30 June 2025 there are 4 Dangerous dogs

For June 2024-25 period there were 431 service requests responded to

For June 2024-25 there were 112 dogs impounded

Report approved for publication


Tanya Winter


Date:



Appendix 1

The information provided below sets out the statistical information required by Section 10(A)(2) of the Dog Control Act 1996

Number of Registered Dogs in the Ōtorohanga District Council	
	2024/2025
Number of dogs registered	2091

Disqualified and Probationary owners	
	2024/2025
Disqualified	0
Probationary	0
Total:	0

Infringements and Prosecutions	
	2024/2025
Number of infringements issued	1
Number of prosecutions taken for the period	1
Total:	2

Dangerous and menacing dog with classification under the Act		
		2024/2025
Dangerous	31(1)(b) Sworn evidence	0
Dangerous	31(1)(c) Owner admits	0
Menacing	33A(1)(b)(i) Observed behaviour	1
Menacing	33C(1) Schedule 4 (breed/type)	0
	Total:	1



General		
Description	Subcategory description	2024/2025
General enquiries		60
S.O.P Property Visits		19
Two Dog Property Visits		1
Dog Complaints		347
Barking Dogs		39
Welfare Calls		24
SPCA Assistance		9
Police Assistance		11
Lost Dogs		28
Microchipping		33
Urban Patrols		135
Rural Patrols		96
School Patrols		135
Rubbish Patrols		48
Education Talks		3
Advice Given		35
Stock Complaints		84



Offenses		
Description	Subcategory description	2024/2025
Attack	Historic attack dog v animal	12
	Historic attack dog v person	1
	Urgent attack dog v animal	2
	Urgent attack dog v person	4
	Serious injury	0
Rushing Dogs		9
Roaming Dogs		144
Impounded	Dogs impounded	112
	Dogs impounded - Registered	15
	Dogs impounded - Unregistered	97
	Impounded Dogs Released	51
	Impounded Dogs Destroyed	61
	Impounded Stock	0
Written/Verbal Warnings		20
Infringement Notices Issued		1