

Resolution of Council

14 December 2020

Item 12.11

Council Pet Days

Moved by Councillor Scott, seconded by the Chair (the Lord Mayor) -

It is resolved that:

(A) Council note:

- (i) the importance of pets in the lives of many local residents, in particular the elderly, those living in social housing and with disability;
- (ii) the importance of the City's local pet days providing, among other things, free registration for companion animals and advice from vets;
- (iii) due to Public Health Orders issued in response to Covid-19, outdoor events including Redfern Waterloo Pet Day 2020 have been cancelled;
- (iv) to support the health of pets and encourage responsible pet ownership, the City is offering free de-sexing and microchipping services for dogs and cats to eligible pet owners in the Redfern Waterloo social housing community;
- these services are available to pension or healthcare card holders residing in Redfern or Waterloo;
- (vi) providing free de-sexing and microchipping services supports residents in complying with the NSW Companion Animals Act 1998 and improves health and safety outcomes for pets in the City of Sydney;
- (vii) letters are being sent to all social housing residents in the Redfern Waterloo social housing community inviting them to book services through the City's Companion Animals Liaison Officer; and
- (viii) alternative services will also be coordinated in place of Northcott Pet Day which was scheduled for September 2020 for pension or healthcare card holders residing in Surry Hills;

- (B) subject to NSW Health Orders, Council support the recommencement of local community pet days under Covid-safe plans in City open spaces, with the first event to occur in the Waterloo open space area; and
- (C) the Chief Executive Officer be requested to advise the rescheduled dates via the CEO Update when possible.

Carried unanimously, as part of an in globo motion.

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