

Banyule City Council

Council Order for the Control of Dogs and Cats

1. Preliminary

This Order is made pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the *Domestic Animals Act 1994* which provides Council with the statutory authority to introduce Orders controlling the presence of dogs and cats within public places in the municipality.

2. Date of Commencement and Revocation

2.1 This Order commences on 1 February 2025.

2.2 On the commencement of this Order, Council's Order dated 17 February 1997 and amended on 19 October 1998, is revoked.

3. Definitions

For the purposes of this Order:

- **Act** means the *Domestic Animals Act 1994*.
- **Council** means Banyule City Council.
- **Effective control** includes a dog that:
 - is capable of being recalled to its owner or handler;
 - is within clear line of sight to its owner or handler; and
 - does not engage in anti-social, threatening or intimidatory behaviour.
- **Organised event** means an event on public land that is Council licenced, permitted and organised.
- **Owner** in respect of a dog or cat, includes the registered owner of that animal or any person who keeps or harbours the animal or has the animal in their care or control at the relevant time.
- **Public place** has the same meaning as in the *Summary Offences Act 1996*.
- **Reserve** means a Council Reserve listed in the Schedule.

4. Control of Dogs in Public Places

The owner of a dog must keep that dog restrained by means of a chain, cord, leash or other suitable restraint mechanism whilst in in a public place, unless that dog is within a reserve, (subject to any signs that may apply to that reserve area,) or in an environmentally sensitive reserve where dogs are prohibited.

5. Control of Dogs in Reserves

- 5.1 For the purposes of this Order, Council's reserves are listed in the Schedule.
- 5.2 An owner of a dog may allow that dog to be off-lead in a reserve listed in the Schedule, subject to the following conditions:
- (a) during Council licenced, permitted and organised events, dogs must be placed on lead;
 - (b) dogs are prohibited from entering within 5 meters of a barbeque area;
 - (c) dogs are prohibited from entering within 5 meters of a playground;
 - (d) dogs must be restrained by means of a chain, cord, leash or other suitable restraint mechanism when on or within 5m of a declared shared footway; and
 - (e) dogs must otherwise remain under effective control at all times.

6. Environmentally Sensitive Areas

- 6.1 Dogs are prohibited from entering the following environmentally sensitive reserves:
- a) Brown's Nature Reserve, Greensborough (as per existing covenant);
 - b) Banyule Flats Wetland and Banyule Billabong;
 - c) Horseshoe, Reedy and Bailey Billabongs in Wilson Reserve;
 - d) Warringal Swamplands;
 - e) Yandell Reserve (within already fenced areas);
 - f) St Helena Bush Reserve (within already fenced areas); and
 - g) Rockbeare Park.
- 6.2 For environmental reasons, dogs must be on-lead by means of a chain, cord, leash, or other suitable restraint mechanism when in areas designated by signage in the following reserves:
- a) Banyule Flats (Wetland & Banyule Billabong);
 - b) Wilson Reserve (Horseshoe, Reedy and Bailey Billabongs);
 - c) Warringal Swamplands;
 - d) Harry Pottage Reserve (SE of path);
 - e) St Helena Bush Reserve (outside currently fenced areas);
 - f) Yandell Bush Reserve (outside currently fenced areas);
 - g) Dalvida Bush Reserve (whole reserve);
 - h) Binnak Park Wetlands (wet area only);
 - i) Rockbeare Park; and
 - j) Darebin Creek Reserve.
- 6.3 Dogs are permitted on the secondary track at Wilson Reserve provided they are on-lead.
- 6.4 Dogs are permitted at Banyule Flats in the area bounded by the two old fences, the Yarra River and the five historical stockyards, provided that the dog is under effective control.

7. Cat Confinement

Between the commencement date of this Order and 31 January 2027, the owner of a cat must ensure that the cat is confined to the owner's premises so that the cat is unable to wander at large, between the hours of 7pm and 7am during this two-year trial period.

8. Control of Cats in Public Places

8.1 Cats are prohibited from entering environmentally sensitive areas as designated by signage in the following reserves:

- a) Brown's Nature Reserve, Greensborough (as per existing covenant);
- b) Banyule Flats Wetland and Banyule Billabong;
- c) Horseshoe, Reedy and Bailey Billabongs in Wilson Reserve;
- d) Warringal Swamplands;
- e) Yandell Reserve (within already fenced areas);
- f) St Helena Bush Reserve (within already fenced areas); and
- g) Rockbeare Park.

Schedule

Council Reserves

The following list comprises the reserve areas where dogs may be off-lead, subject to the requirements of Council's Order:

- AK Lines Reserve
 - Albert Jones Reserve
 - Alma Brown Reserve
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 - Andrew Yandell Habitat Reserve
 - Anthony Beale Reserve
 - Banyule Flats Reserve
 - Banyule Northern Grassland Reserve
 - Belmont Bush Reserve
 - Beverley Road Reserve
 - Binnak Park
 - Bolton Street Reserve
 - Briar Hill Hall
 - Briar Valley Play Park
 - Bryant Reserve
 - Buna Reserve
 - Burke Road North Reserve
 - Cartledge Reserve
 - Castleton Park
 - Central Park
 - Chelsworth Park
 - Cleveland Wetland Reserve
 - Clovelly Park
 - Coleen Street Reserve
 - Crana Reserve
 - Creek Bend Reserve
 - De Winton Park
 - Donaldson's Creek Reserve
 - Dunvegan Nth Reserve
 - EJ Andrews Reserve
 - Edmond Rice Reserve
 - Elder Street Reserve
 - Ford Park
 - Fotini Gardens
 - Fricker Hill Reserve
 - Gabonia Avenue Reserve
 - Gillingham Reserve
 - Gilmour Rise Reserve
 - Glенаuburn Reserve
 - Glendale Reserve
 - Greensborough Escarpment
 - Greensborough Park
 - Greensborough War Memorial
 - Greenwood Reserve
 - Hannah Reserve
 - Harborne Street Reserve
 - Harry Pottage Reserve
 - Hartlands Road Reserve
 - Haward Walkway
 - Heidelberg Park
 - Highview Crescent Reserve
 - Howe Court Reserve
 - Hughes Circuit Reserve
 - Jamieson Court Reserve
 - Jennifer Court Reserve
 - John McRobbie Reserve
 - Johnson Reserve
 - Kalista Park
 - Kalparrin Gardens
 - Karingal Drive Plantation Reserve
 - Kearney Court Reserve
 - Keswick Glen Reserve
 - Kirwana Bush Reserve
 - Kirwana Play Reserve
 - Kitchener Reserve
 - Kwinana Court Reserve
 - Lantana Close Reserve
 - Larool Avenue Reserve
 - Lawson Court Reserve
 - Leslie Court River Reserve
 - Liddesdale Bushland Reserve
 - Lightwood Walk Reserve
 - Lions Reserve
 - Longacres Road Reserve
 - Longacres/Smike Walkway Reserve
 - Looker Road Reserve
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- Cyril Cummins Reserve
- Dalvida Reserve
- Darebin Creek Reserve
- Darebin Parklands
- Ironbark Crescent Reserve
- Ivanhoe Park
- Ivanhoe Recreation Reserve
- James Reserve
- Lower Plenty Road Plantation Reserve (East of Arthur Streeton)
- Loyola Reserve
- Luton Way Reserve
- Macdhui Reserve (North)
- Macdhui Reserve (South)
- Macleod Park

- Macorna Street Walkway Reserve
- Main Road River Reserve
- Malahang Reserve
- Malcolm Blair Reserve
- Maleela Reserve
- Manton Street Reserve
- Margaret Avenue Reserve
- Margaret Heathorn Park
- Marigolds Road Reserve
- May Street Reserve
- Mayona Road Reserve
- Medbury Avenue Reserve
- Memorial Reserve
- Mercedes Court Reserve
- Midway/Morobe Walkway
- Miles Reserve
- Milford Reserve
- Milne Place Drainage Reserve
- Milne Place Reserve
- Mogg Court Reserve
- Para Road Island Reserve
- Para Road Island Reserve
- Paulette Close Reserve
- Paulette/Tamboon Walkway Reserve
- Pecks Dam Reserve
- Pedersen Way Reserve
- Petrie Park
- Piccadilly Close Reserve
- Pindari Reserve
- Pioneer Reserve
- Plenty River Bicycle Trail Reserve
- Plenty River Drive Reserve
- Plenty River Reserve (Bicton Street East Side)
- Plenty River Reserve (Bicton Street West Side)
- Plenty River Reserve (George Court)
- Plenty River Reserve (Main Street West)
- Plenty River Reserve (Main to Pope)
- Plenty River Reserve (Nell to Para)
- Reichelt/Sackville Walkway (West)
- Remembrance Park
- Rise Reserve
- River Gum Walk
- Rockbears Park
- Rosanna Parklands
- Rosanna Road Reserve
- Rosehill Road Reserve
- Rossi Park
- Ryans Road Plantation Reserve
- Sackville Reserve
- Sackville/Orr Walkway Reserve
- Scenic Rise Plantation Reserve
- Seddon Reserve
- Selwood Court Reserve
- Service Reserve
- Settlers Park
- Shelley Park
- Sherbourne Road Reserve
- Sherlowe Crescent Reserve
- Silver Wattle Street Reserve
- Simla Close Reserve

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| • Molloy Court Reserve | • Plenty River Reserve (Nell to Para) | • Simms Road Reserve |
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| • Montmorency Park | • Poulter Reserve | • Somers Avenue Reserve |
| • Moodie Street Reserve | • Price Park | • Sparks Reserve |
| • Morwell Avenue Reserve | • Progress/Weidlich Walkway Reserve | • St Clems Reserve |
| • Motts Paddock | • Radio Park | • St Helena Bush Reserve |
| • N J Telfer Reserve | • Rahill Walk Reserve | • St Helena Road Plantation Reserve |
| • Napier Waller Reserve | • Ramu Reserve | • St Helena Road Reserve |
| • Narvik Reserve | • Rand Street Reserve | • St Marys Reserve |
| • Nash Court Reserve | • Rattray Reserve | • Stanton Crescent Reserve |
| • Nellie Ibbott Reserve | • Red Gum Reserve | • Station Road Reserve |
| • Nimary Court Plantation Reserve (East) | • Redmond Court Wetlands Reserve | • Stornoway Glen Reserve |
| • Nimary Court Plantation Reserve (West) | • Redmond/Bowler Walkway Reserve | • Streamline Reserve |
| • Nolan Close Reserve | • Reichelt/Mitchell Reserve | • Studley/Sherwood Walkway |
| • Noorong Avenue Reserve | • Reichelt/Sackville Walkway (East) | • Sweetwater Creek Reserve |
| • Old Lower Plenty Road Reserve | | • Sylvan Play Park |
| • Olympic Avenue Reserve | | • Tara Court Reserve |
| • Olympic Park | | • Tathra Reserve |
| • Olympic Village Reserve | | |
| • Ovata Close Reserve | | |
| • Palamino Court Reserve | | |
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| • The Boulevard Reserve | • Warralong Avenue Reserve | • Willowbank Grove Reserve |
| • The Glade Reserve | • Warrawee Park | • Wilson Reserve |
| • The Grange SEC Reserve | • Warringal Parklands | • Winsor Reserve |
| • The Righi Reserve | • Watsonia Drain Reserve | • Wooded Way Reserve |
| • Tyrone Court Reserve | • Watsonia Road Reserve | • Woodlands Park |
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| • Ungara Close Walkway | • Weidlich Road Reserve | • Wungan Street Reserve |
| • V C Estate Reserve | • Wendover Place Reserve | • Yallambie Park |
| • V C Henderson Reserve | • Were Street Reserve | • Yallambie Road Reserve |
| • Vanessa Court Reserve | • West Mayling Reserve | • Yallambie SEC Reserve |
| • Viewbank Reserve | • Westmere Place Reserve | • Yando Street River Reserve |
| • Vin Heffernan Reserve | • Whatmough Park | • Yulong Reserve |
| • Vine Street Reserve | • Willinda Park | |
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