



Domestic Animal Management Plan

Survey 2: How can we better promote the safety and welfare of our pets, people and environment within current resources?

Complete this quick survey to inform Bayside's next Domestic Animal Management Plan. In this survey you can also apply to join our 'Fetching Feedback' group which will meet to consider views and make recommendations to Council.

Surveys must be returned by 23 February 2025 by email: yoursay@bayside.vic.gov.au or post to DAMP Engagement, Bayside City Council, PO Box 27, Sandringham 3191.

About you

These introductory questions help us understand the sections of our community that have provided feedback. Your responses are confidential and anonymous.

We are asking for your name and address to ensure unique responses to this survey. This information will not be recorded with your responses.

01. Your contact details **Required**

Your name _____

Residential Street _____ Postcode _____

Email address *(if you wish to receive updates about this project)*

02. Does your household have a pet cat or dog? **Required**

Please select all that apply.

Select all that apply
☐ Yes – dog(s)
☐ Yes – cat(s)
☐ No but I care for a cat or dog
☐ No dogs or cats in my home
☐ Prefer not to say

03. Your suburb Required

Select one answer only
☐ Beaumaris
☐ Black Rock
☐ Brighton
☐ Brighton East
☐ Cheltenham (Bayside)
☐ Hampton
☐ Hampton East
☐ Highett (Bayside)
☐ Sandringham
☐ Outside Bayside (please specify)

04. Your age group Required

Select one answer only
☐ Under 18
☐ 18 - 34
☐ 35 - 59
☐ 60+
☐ Prefer not to say

05. Your gender Required

Select one answer only
☐ Male
☐ Female
☐ Non-binary
☐ Prefer not to say
☐ Prefer to self-identify

The DAMP aims to ensure that pet owners are responsible and take good care of their pets.

06. Which of the following services that Council provides are do you think are most important to ensure responsible pet ownership?

Please select all that you feel are very important.

Select all that apply
☐ Discounted pet registration for all puppies
☐ Promote training of dogs through awareness of providers and incentives
☐ Off-leash areas at parks and beaches
☐ Dedicated secure (fenced) dog parks
☐ Animal Management enforcement (e.g. leash regulations, nuisance complaints)
☐ Signage to explain responsible pet requirements including leash restrictions
☐ Reuniting lost pets with owners
☐ Stricter enforcement for those breaking laws

Are pet owners responsible in your neighbourhood?

This information will be used to inform future education initiatives and patrol schedules.

07. On a typical day, how often do you notice the following behaviours?

People not picking up their dog's waste	Not watching dog(s) in off-leash areas
☐ Never	☐ Never
☐ Occasionally	☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently	☐ Frequently
☐ Not sure	☐ Not sure
Dogs off-leash where they shouldn't be	Letting dog(s) bother other people
☐ Never	☐ Never
☐ Occasionally	☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently	☐ Frequently
☐ Not sure	☐ Not sure

Letting dog(s) bother other dogs	Walking too many dogs at once (more than 4)
☐ Never	☐ Never
☐ Occasionally	☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently	☐ Frequently
☐ Not sure	☐ Not sure
Not having effective voice control / commands of a dog	Letting dog(s) into or close to playgrounds
☐ Never	☐ Never
☐ Occasionally	☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently	☐ Frequently
☐ Not sure	☐ Not sure
Letting dog(s) disrupt sporting events	Dogs digging sportsground turf
☐ Never	☐ Never
☐ Occasionally	☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently	☐ Frequently
☐ Not sure	☐ Not sure

08. Do you face any challenges with complying with local domestic animal regulations? Please select all that apply

Skip this question if you do not have a dog and/or cat

Select all that apply

- ☐ I do not experience any challenges
- ☐ Cost of registration
- ☐ Cost of desexing
- ☐ Cost of training
- ☐ Keeping my dog under effective control
- ☐ Keeping my dog on-leash
- ☐ Other

09. If you had to pick one thing for Council to do to improve the safety and welfare of our pets, people and environment, what would it be?

Fetching Feedback focus group

The Fetching Feedback group will be made up of around 20 community members randomly selected to broadly represent Bayside demographics for suburb and age. It's important we consider diverse views, so we encourage both pet and non-pet owners to apply!

This group will meet four times (Thursday evenings on 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April 2025) to consider community views, presentations from external experts, and make recommendations to Council for Bayside's new Domestic Animal Management Plan.

10. Are you interested in being part of a Fetching Feedback focus group? Required

This information will be treated confidentially and not associated with your survey responses.

Select one answer only

☐ Yes > complete questions 11 – 15

☐ No > end of survey. Please submit to Council by 23 February 2023

If you selected Yes, please enter your email below.

This will only be used to contact you about the Fetching Feedback sessions.

Eligibility criteria

Please confirm your eligibility for the Fetching Feedback group below:

11. Are you a: **Required**

Select one answer only
☐ Bayside City Council staff member (current and last 5 years)*
☐ Elected official (elected member of any level of government)*
☐ None of the above

** Bayside City Council Councillors or staff members (current and last 5 years) and elected officials (elected member of any level of government), are not eligible for the Fetching Feedback focus group. Please continue to submit your survey so your feedback is considered.*

12. Can you attend the Fetching Feedback sessions?

Select one answer only
☐ I am available to attend in-person meetings at Council's Sandringham offices from 6pm to 9pm on Thursday 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April.
☐ I am NOT available to attend in-person meetings at Council's Sandringham offices from 6pm to 9pm on Thursday 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April.

13. Your email (if not already provided).

We will only use your email to contact you about the Fetching Feedback sessions.

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