

Rārangi take o te Komiti Taiao
me ngā Whakawā Whanokē

Environment and Hearings Committee Agenda

Wednesday 28 August 2024, 4 pm
Council Chamber, Albion Street, Hāwera



Huinga Tāngata / Attendance Register

Date	22/03/23	26/04/23	15/05/23	07/06/23	19/07/23	25/10/23	08/11/23	22/11/23	13/03/24	24/04/24	05/06/24
Meeting	E	O	O	O	O	O	E	O	O	O	O
Andy Beccard	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Leanne Horo	√	√	A	√	√	√	√	√	A	√	A
Aarun Langton	√	√	√	√	√	A	√	√	√	A	A
Steffy Mackay	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	A	A	√	√
Robert Northcott	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Diana Reid	√	√	√	A	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Tane Houston - Iwi Representative	-	-	-	√	√	√	√	A	√	A	√

Key

- √ Attended
- AO Attended Online
- Was not required to attend
- A Apology
- Y Attended but didn't have to attend
- X Did not attend - no apology given

Types of Meetings

- O Ordinary Council Meeting
- E Extraordinary Council Meeting

He Karere Haumarū / Health and Safety Message

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If there is an earthquake – drop, cover and hold where possible. Please remain where you are until further instruction is given.

He Pānga Whakararu / Conflicts of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as an elected member and any private or other external interest they might have.



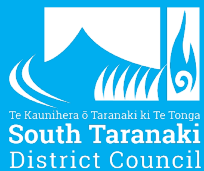
Rārangi Agenda

Environment and Hearings Committee

Wednesday 28 August 2024 at 4 pm

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Next Meeting Date: Wednesday 9 October 2024 – Council Chamber, Albion Street, Hāwera
Elected Members’ Deadline: Wednesday 25 September 2024



Karakia

1. Karakia

Ruruku Timata – Opening Prayer

(Kia ururu mai ā-hauora,
ā-haukaha, ā-hau māia)

Ki runga

Ki raro

Ki roto

Ki waho

Rire rire hau

Paimārire

*(Fill me with vitality)
strength and bravery)*

Above

Below

Inwards

Outwards

The winds blow & bind us

Peace be with us.



Matakore Apologies

2. Matakore / Apologies

Leave of Absence: *The Board may grant a member leave of absence following an application from that member. Leave of absences will be held in the Public Excluded section of the meeting.*



Ngā Whakaputanga Declarations of Interest

3. Tauākī Whakarika / Declarations of Interest

Notification from elected members of:

- a) Any interests that may create a conflict with their role as an elected member relating to the items of business for this meeting; and
- b) Any interests in items in which they have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest as provided for in the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968.

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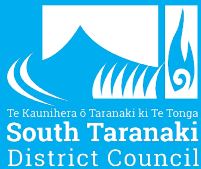


Whakatakoto Kaupapa Whānui, Whakaaturanga hoki Open Forum and Presentations

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4. Whakatakoto Kaupapa Whānui Whakaaturanga hoki / Open Forum and Presentations

The Council has set aside time for members of the public to speak in the public forum at the commencement of each Council, Committee and Community Board meeting (up to 10 minutes per person/organisation) when these meetings are open to the public. Permission of the Mayor or Chairperson is required for any person wishing to speak at the public forum.



Ngā Menīti Komiti

Committee Minutes

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To	Environment and Hearings Committee
Date	28 August 2024
Subject	Environment and Hearings Committee – 5 June 2024

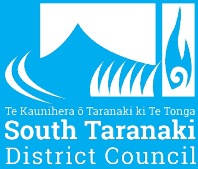
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Whakarāpopoto Kāhui Kahika / Executive Summary

1. The Environment and Hearings Committee met on 5 June 2024. The Environment and Hearings Committee is being asked to confirm their minutes including the public excluded minutes from 5 June 2024 as a true and correct record.

Taunakitanga / Recommendation

THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee adopts the minutes including the public excluded from the Environment and Hearings Committee meeting held on 5 June 2024 as a true and correct record.



Menīti Minutes

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Ngā Menīti take o te Komiti Taiao me ngā Whakawā

Environment and Hearings Committee

Held in the Council Chamber, Albion Street, Hāwera on Wednesday 5 June 2024 at 4 pm

Kanohi Kītea / Present: Councillors Andy Beccard (Chairperson), Steffy Mackay, Diana Reid, Deputy Mayor Robert Northcott and Tane Houston (Iwi Representative).

Ngā Taenga-Ā-Tinana / In Attendance: Liam Dagg (Group Manager Environmental Services), Sarah Capper-Liddle (Planner), Sara Dymond (Governance and Support Team Leader), Reg Korau (Iwi Liaison Manager – Acting Planning Team Leader), Caitlin Moseley (Planner).

Matakore / Apologies: Councillors Leanne Horo and Aarun Langton.

RESOLUTION

(Deputy Mayor Northcott/Cr Mackay)

17/24 EH **THAT** the apologies from Councillors Leanne Horo and Aarun Langton be received.

CARRIED

1. Whakaaetia ngā Menīti / Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Environment and Hearings Committee on 24 April 2024.

RESOLUTION

(Cr Reid/Cr Mackay)

18/24 EH **THAT** the Environment and Hearings Committee adopts the minutes from the meeting held on 24 April 2024 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

2. Pūrongo / Report

2.1 Submission on Harmony Energy Solar Farm – Ōpunakē

The Ministry for the Environment (MfE) had identified South Taranaki District Council as being an affected party to the project, for Harmony Energy NZ #4 Limited to construct a solar farm at 915 Ihaia Road, Ōpunakē. Subsequently, MfE requested the Council provide feedback on the project with feedback required no later than 12 June 2024.

Ms Moseley explained that Harmony Energy NZ #4 (the Applicant) had applied for land use consent. The Applicant sought to construct and operate the Harmony Energy Solar Farm on a site located at 915 Ihaia Road, Ōpunakē. The solar farm would have an approximate project area of 152 hectares with approximately 175,000 panels installed on the site. These would connect to voltage power stations which would connect to a substation. The on-site substation would facilitate the interconnection of the solar farm into the national grid via Transpower's Ōpunakē substation located on the adjacent property. A range of mitigation landscaping was proposed, along with a range of ecological protection and enhancement measures. Overall, this was considered a discretionary activity under the District Plan. The site was comprised of LUC 3 and 6, with LUC 3 considered Highly Productive under the National Policy Statement on Highly Productive Land (HPS HPL) however it was intended to be grazed and used for sheep farming.

Ms Moseley explained that the main areas of interest and consideration was the National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land, effects on surrounding properties and the wider environment, the accumulative affects from solar farms and lack of data around decommissioning and end of life.

Councillor Reid had concerns for the protection of the geographically significant mounds which were also significant to iwi and hapū. She noted that the proposal indicated the large mounds would be retained, however the small mounds would be flattened. Ms Moseley noted that unless they were identified as a significant area or had archaeological significance to her understanding there was nothing to protect them under the District Plan. The Council did not have any large-scale earthwork rules in the District Plan which could grant protection. This would fall under the Taranaki Regional Council.

Councillor Reid had concerns with the accumulative affects this solar farm would have and asked what proximity the proposed solar farm was to other potential solar farms. She was concerned that when standing on the Mountain solar farms would cover the land. Ms Moseley noted that there was the solar farm around the coast which had been granted. It had been in the Ōpunakē North area that solar farms had been seen so far.

Councillor Reid noted that the houses on the adjoining properties were significantly higher than this land. The proposal had indicated that there would be planting, however she suggested that even with planting the view from those properties would be of the solar farm. There was no evidence that the applicants had spoken to the 11 neighbours. Ms Moseley noted that the adjoining properties were highlighted in their application, however she struggled to find evidence of feedback received from the property owners. Councillor Reid further commented that that there was minimal feedback received from Iwi other than it was extremely positive, however Iwi stated the mounds were significant which was contradictory.

Deputy Mayor Northcott concurred with the comments made around consultation with affected parties and believed there needed to be a more robust discussion with Iwi to understand their views. The proposal noted their intentions of replanting, however Deputy Mayor Northcott commented that this would require effective monitoring. During heavy rain fall the riparian margins would be washed away which would require reestablishment and replanting. A question was asked about who would be responsible for this.

Deputy Mayor Northcott commented that it was becoming more common that sheep grazing was a way to get around HPL, however there was no data to show that it was a viable option. He wondered if the Committee should suggest monitoring to determine how effective sheep farming was. In relation to sustained employment he saw opportunities during the construction phase, however he did not see any sustained employment generated from this long term. In terms of the economic difference between the land being a viable dairy farm and a solar farm he would like to better understand the employment and how it affected the population in the future. There would be flow on affects. The production of green energy should not be at the detriment of our community and the accumulative affects needed to be quantified.

Deputy Mayor Northcott commented that the protection of lahars should of consideration during the District Plan review. In relation to decommissioning protection against abandonment was required.

Mr Houston echoed the same sentiments already mentioned. He commented that when looking at the solar farm projects in isolation overall they were good except for the major issues with decommissioning and moving from HPL into renewable utility. His main concern was around the accumulation of multiple solar farms not only the environmental risks although there was yet to be a discussion around water run off but there was no data that provided clarity around soil wellbeing. These questions remained outstanding from the last resource consent. He encouraged the Council to find the means and ways to obtain accurate data to answer these questions.

Mr Houston queried the justification for sheep to be an alternate move from HPL to renewable energy. When looking at the compound effect of multiple solar farms how much money was being taken out of the region. He considered the consultation with Iwi to be substantial.

Mr Houston supported the environmental mitigation in the proposal. It was proposed that the wetlands were to be planted in riparian planting. This would be positive to have a density of wellbeing in a large area. In terms of the monitoring and activity of riparian planting as well as the commitment of activity and monitoring of pest and predator control, he noted that there was no mention around commitment to engage local communities to undertake that work. He encouraged the Applicant to speak to Taranaki Iwi around opportunities in engaging Iwi in these activities. It would be good to see a pathway that those contracts and resources would find their way directly into the community agencies.

Councillor Mackay highlighted the lack of evidence provided in relation to the absence of a cultural impact assessment and a decommissioning plan. There needed to be consideration for the best practise which should be a requirement. She questioned how consultation with affected parties was undertaken because there was no evidence that those affected parties were consulted with. The glint and glare report identified that neighbouring properties would be affected by the glare at certain times of a day. She believed the Applicant needed to ensure that there were mitigations in place, so they were not affected by the solar panels.

Councillor Beccard would like clarity around what was said about earthworks in the District Plan. He agreed that the consultation with affected parties was not overwhelming. He agreed that the accumulative affects was an area to monitor. He had concerns with reviewing the maps in the proposal as it showed a lot of the wetland covered in panels.

There needed to be funds set aside for decommissioning if they became insolvent. The economic effects were important because they wanted to see growth in our District. There was an opportunity to engage with local contractors and community groups for immediate and ongoing works that pertain to the solar farm. Mitigative measures to reduce the effects of glint and flare needed to be considered.

Councillor Mackay on behalf of Councillor Horo noted that the Taranaki Iwi Claims Act 2016 was incorrect in Paragraph 2. This related to the whole of Taranaki not Taranaki Iwi as represented by Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi as its post settlement governance entity.

Councillor Reid commented on the educational aspect and would like further clarification on what this included. The District had several industry facilities that offered educational visits, facilitated by tutors in classroom type facilities on site.

The Committee was aware of research being undertaken within the New Zealand context on the overall effects solar farms were having on the country. This research was crucial in identifying information gaps for the construction, operation and decommissioning of solar farms, particularly as it was a new industry for New Zealand. It was felt that the Committee would be far better equipped to offer comment on the Ōpunakē Harmony Energy Solar Farm with more research undertaken on the effects on solar farms.

Ms Moseley explained that there was a rule under the Council's District Plan that identified performance standards for aggregate and soil extraction that might be triggered by the proposal. This rule had not been identified or assessed within the application for the project.

RESOLUTION

(Cr Mackay/Deputy Mayor Northcott)

- 19/24 EH** **THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee provides comment on the Harmony Energy Solar Farm – Ōpunakē and identifies key points to be included in the feedback to the Ministry for the Environment (MFE), noting that the deadline is 12 June 2024 for feedback.**

CARRIED

3. Pūrongo-Whakamārama / Information Report

3.1 Environmental Services Activity Report

The report provided an update on activities relating to the Environmental Services Group for the months of March and April 2024.

Ms Bryant commented that Massey University were analysing potential for risk to agricultural productivity and the need to better understand how to successfully use land for both agricultural/horticultural and energy generation. Massey's project aimed to build on one year's prior research (Massey University-Nova Energy, Jun 2022 – Jul 2023). The data would help Agrivoltaic research get a gauge on agricultural land loss due to installation of solar arrays. It would also help with what the rate of grass growth was between fixed and titled arrays and the effects on sheep farming under solar arrays in Taranaki farmscapes. This would inform agrivoltaic co-venturers, regulatory bodies and farmers, regarding the

potential to enable productive land use on agrivoltaic farms in Taranaki and New Zealand. There was a range of data required. Massey University aimed to have all results collated by September 2026.

Ms Capper-Liddle commented that the Papakāinga Plan Change was publicly notified on 15 April and was open until 30 May 2024. There were eight submissions received. The submissions would be summarised and then there would be a further submission period followed by a hearing.

Ms Moseley provided an update on Urban Growth. The Council was looking at rezoning land to enable zone swap between land in the Business Park Area and Longview Subdivision. This would include updates to the existing Structure Plan Maps and amendments to the objectives and policies and rules in the District Plan. It was identified that a Future Development Area Overlay layer was required which would direct developers to where there was infrastructure capacity. It was anticipated that this would be presented to Council and adopted by the end of July.

As part of the Urban Growth update Council staff were looking into Financial Contributions. The Council was refreshing the approach for the Hāwera Structure Plan Area, exploring a Financial Contribution approach for Pātea, Waverley, Manaia, Eltham and Kaponga and exploring Financial Contribution exemptions for papakāinga on general title. There was a report being presented to the Council on the 24 June 2024 to explore details about the possible approaches.

Also included as part of the Urban Growth update was work around the intensification zone in the Hāwera Township. Boffa Miskell were assisting with the Plan Change and scoping some intensification area update that could possibly come through the Urban Growth Plan Change. This was in the proposal and scoping stage.

Ms Capper-Liddle noted that there were some miscellaneous zone changes coming up which were separate from the District Plan review changes. There was a subdivision on Burnside Avenue, Hāwera and Chute Street, Normanby that had been identified as needing a zone change.

RESOLUTION

Cr Mackay/Deputy Mayor Northcott)

20/24 EH THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee receives the Environmental Services Activity Report for March and April 2024.

CARRIED

4. Nga Tōkeketanga kia noho tūmatanui kore / Resolution to Exclude the public

RESOLUTION

(Deputy Mayor Northcott/Cr Reid)

21/24 EH THAT the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

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 are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
1. Minutes held on 29 April 2024.	To Enable the Committee to.	That the exclusion of the public from the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting is necessary to enable the Council/Committee to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings where: ii) the local authority is required, by any enactment, to make a recommendation in respect of the matter that is the subject of those proceedings. Use (i) for the RMA hearings and (ii) for hearings under LGA such as objections to Development contributions or hearings under the Dog Control Act. s.48(1)(d)

CARRIED

5. Tuwhera anō te Hui / Resume to Open Meeting

RESOLUTION

(Deputy Mayor Northcott/Cr Reid)

23/24 EH THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee resumes in open meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 5.26 pm.

Dated this day of 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON



Menīti Minutes

Ngā Menīti take o te Komiti Taiao me ngā Whakawā Environment and Hearings Committee

Held with the public excluded in Hāwera on Wednesday 5 June 2024.

1. Whakaaetia ngā Menīti / Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Environment and Hearings Committee held on 13 May 2024.

RESOLUTION

(Cr Mackay/Mr Houston)

22/24 EH **THAT** the Environment and Hearings Committee adopts the public excluded minutes from the meeting held on 13 May 2024 as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

2. Tuwhera anō te Hui / Resume to Open Meeting

RESOLUTION

(Deputy Mayor Northcott/Cr Reid)

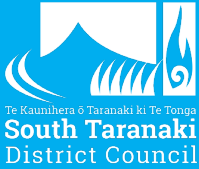
23/24 EH **THAT** the Environment and Hearings Committee resumes in open meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 5.26 pm.

Dated this day of 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON



Pūrongo Report

6

To	Environment and Hearings Committee
From	Kaiārahi Ope Tūtohu / Compliance Team Leader, Mark Smith
Date	28 August 2024
Subject	Objection to Dog being Classified as Menacing by Breed – George (Dog Registration 20466)

(This report shall not be construed as policy until adopted by full Council)

Whakarāpopoto Kāhui Kahika / Executive Summary

1. George, a four year old male red coloured American Pit Bull Terrier Cross, belonging to Dallas Stuart and Tenille Snooks was classified as menacing due to its breed on 5 November 2020 ([Appendix 1](#)).
2. The owners registered George on 23 October 2020 for the first time with the South Taranaki District Council at the age of 4 months. He was registered as a Pit Bull Terrier Cross. ([Appendix 2](#)).
3. Mr Stuart, the registered owner of George, wishes to object to the menacing classification placed on George due to its Breed ([Appendix 3](#)). During a meeting with Mr Stuart on 30 July 2024, it was explained that the objection period allowed to him as stipulated in the Menacing Classification issued in 2020 has lapsed.
4. Mr Stuart raised this issue with an Animal Control Officer in 2023 and the matter was not escalated due to the initial declaration signed by Mr Stuart, declaring George's breed as Pit Bull Terrier Cross on the original registration.
5. Mr Stuart still wishes to object to the menacing classification. The Environment and Hearings Committee is delegated to hear his objection (albeit a late objection) and required under the Dog Control Act 1996 (the Act) to either uphold the classification or rescind it.

Taunakitanga / Recommendation(s)

THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee uphold the menacing classification for George, (dog registration number 20466).

For the following reasons:

The Territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe that George belongs wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

In addition on technical grounds the objection period has passed.

Kupu Whakamārama / Background

6. George was registered as a Pit Bull Terrier Cross with the South Taranaki District Council, following adoption of the dog from the New Plymouth District Council. Registration Form signed on 23 October 2020 ([Appendix 2](#)). Supporting documentation with the application:
- New Plymouth District Council – Red Rotty
 - Microchip Details (Bell Block Vet) – Red Pit Bull Terrier Cross
7. A menacing classification by breed was issued to George on 5 November 2020 following the registration ([Appendix 1](#)). The Act places a statutory obligation on all territorial authorities in New Zealand to classify all dogs of a certain breed or type, as menacing. The intention of this classification was to identify dogs that can be “potentially dangerous”, even though they may not have exhibited any aggression tendencies or behaviour in the past.

33C Dogs belonging to breed or type listed in Schedule 4 to be classified as menacing

- (1) A territorial authority must, for the purposes of [section 33E\(1\)\(a\)](#), classify as menacing any dog that the territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe belongs wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in [Schedule 4](#).
- (2) If a dog is classified as menacing under subsection (1), the territorial authority must immediately give written notice in the prescribed form to the owner of—
- (a) the classification; and
 - (b) the provisions of [section 33E](#) (which relates to the effect of classification as a menacing dog); and
 - (c) the right to object to the classification under [section 33D](#).

Schedule 4

Part 1 Breed of dog

Brazilian Fila
Dogo Argentino
Japanese Tosa
Perro de Presa Canario

Part 2 Type of dog

American Pit Bull Terrier

8. Mr Stuart applied for Selected Owner status on 23 October 2020 ([Appendix 4](#)).
9. Mr Stuart’s application for Selected Owner status was declined on 25 November 2020, due to George being classified as a menacing breed. The Council’s Dog Control Policy (the Policy) does not allow owners of dogs listed on Schedule 4 of the Act or classified as menacing by deed to be granted Selected Owner status. A letter was sent to Mr Stuart on 27 November 2020. Mr Stuart did not raise any concerns regarding this decision at the time.

Local Government Purpose

10. The purposes of local government is:

“(a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and

(b) to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.”

11. Classifying a dog as menacing due to characteristics typically associated with the dog’s breed or type is a regulatory function and aligns with the purpose of the Local Government Act 2002, in particular, social wellbeing in this case.

Ngā Kōwhiringa / Options – Identification and analysis

12. George was registered as a Pit Bull Terrier Cross. George is also desexed and microchipped.
13. George was issued a menacing classification under section 33C(1) of the Act 1996 on 5 November 2020.

(1) A territorial authority must, for the purposes of section 33E(1)(a), classify as menacing any dog that the territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe belongs wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4.”

14. A menacing classification means that the dog must be neutered, microchipped and wear a muzzle at all times when it is in a public place.
15. The Act sets out to control specified breeds and types of dogs in two ways:- firstly by requiring a territorial authority to classify as “menacing” any dog specified in Schedule 4 of the Act, and secondly, by prohibiting the importation of those breeds and types of dogs.
16. The Act (and Courts) have failed to provide clarification on precisely what was meant by an “American Pit Bull Terrier Type”. In the absence of identification standards or guidelines provided by the New Zealand Government for “Pit Bull types”, every council relies on information provided by Owners, identification protocols/visual assessments in placed by Animal Management staff and guidance materials.
17. The Council undertake visual assessment as a means of considering a dog may be wholly or predominately a Pit Bull type. Information is available on the internet for characteristics and colour charts for Pit Bulls. A booklet produced by Auckland Council is used as reference. ([Appendix 5](#)).
18. Mr Stuart provided some photographs of George in his objection ([Appendix 3](#)).
19. There has been an increasing trend for dog owners to have their dog DNA tested using BITSA (Breed Identification Through Scientific Analysis) test – especially with respect to using this as a means of proving a dog is not a Pit Bull type dog. BITSA is a test which uses DNA analysis to provide a history of a dog’s ancestry. The profile obtained is cross-referenced against an extensive genetic database to provide a breed signature. It is noted that BITSA does not carry breed signatures for American Pit Bull Terriers. Furthermore, many dogs are so highly cross-bred that very quickly the purebred characteristics (and the genetic breed signatures) are not longer able to be identified. For these reasons, it is not recommended to accept DNA testing as evidence of whether a dog is not wholly or predominately a Pit Bull type.

Option(s) available

Option A - Uphold the menacing classification

- 20. The Council’s Policy is built on the philosophy that we have a duty care for the community, in that we need to minimise danger, distress and nuisance that dogs can cause. Similarly, our Community Outcomes aim to advocate for people and provide accessible and safe open spaces.
- 21. The Act endeavours to protect people, dogs and other animals from harm by enabling tighter control of some dogs.
- 22. Upholding the menacing classification would be wholly consistent with best practice in protecting the community and other dogs from potential harm.

Option B - Rescind the menacing classification

- 23. The Act, the Council’s Policy and the Community Outcomes does not support the option of rescinding the menacing classification, as the territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe that George belongs wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4.
- 24. Considering all matters raised, the option to rescind the menacing classification is not a viable option.

Whaiwhakaaro me ngā aromatawai / Considerations and Assessments

Assessment of Significance

- 25. South Taranaki District Council’s general approach to determining the level of “significance” will be to consider:

Criteria	Measure	Assessment
Degree	The number of residents and ratepayers affected and the degree to which they are affected by the decision or proposal.	Low: The decision of this report relates to an incident between two parties.
LOS	The achievement of, or ability to achieve, the Council’s stated levels of service as set out in the Long-Term Plan.	Low: This does not affect the Council’s ability to achieve LOS in the LTP.
Decision	Whether this type of decision, proposal or issue has a history of generating wide public interest within South Taranaki.	Low: The decision to uphold or rescind a menacing classification does not generally generate wide public interest.
Financial	The impact of the decision or proposal on the Council’s overall budget or included in an approved Long Term Plan and its ability to carry	Low: This decision does not impact the Council’s overall budget or LTP, or

Criteria	Measure	Assessment
	out its existing or proposed functions and activities now and in the future.	its ability to carry out its functions.
Reversible	The degree to which the decision or proposal is reversible.	Low: The Act requires the Council to either uphold or rescind the menacing classification.
Environment	The degree of impact the decision will have on the environment.	Low: The decision to uphold or rescind the menacing classification will have a minor impact on the environment.

26. In terms of the Council’s Significance and Engagement Policy this matter is of low significance.

Legislative Considerations

27. The Act imposes obligations on dog owners by making special provision in relation to dangerous dogs and menacing dogs (s4).

28. Those obligations include: (Section 33E)

The owner of the dog:-

- a. Must not allow the dog to be at large or in any public place or in any private way, except when confined completely withing a vehicle or cage, without being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breath and drink water without obstruction
- b. Required to have the dog neutered
- c. Required to have the dog implanted with a microchip

29. The Act also states that the Council must classify a dog as menacing as follows:

(1) classify as menacing any dog that the territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe belongs wholly or predominantly to 1 or more breeds or types listed in [Schedule 4](#).

30. Where an objection to a menacing dog classification is made, the Committee, in deciding whether to uphold or rescind the classification, must have regard to:

- a. The evidence which formed the basis for the classification ([attached at Appendices 1, 2, 4 & 5](#)); and
- b. Any steps taken by the owner ([Appendix 3](#)); and
- c. Any other relevant matters.

31. In terms of steps that the owner has taken, the owner has originally registered George as a Pit Bull Terrier Cross in 2020. The owner failed to object to the menacing classification placed on George within the specified time allowed in the Act. At the same time, the Selected Owner status was declined for the same reason. Again, the owner failed to raise any concerns.

32. Based on visual assessments from the photographs provided, the territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe George belongs wholly or predominantly to one or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4 of the Act. As such, it is recommended that the menacing dog classification be upheld.

Consistency with Plan/Policies/Community Outcomes

33. The Council's Policy sets out the Council's role and responsibility in respect to dog control as follows:

The Council must have regard to:

- The positive aspects of dog ownership and the contribution made to the community and economy of South Taranaki, while mitigating the potentially negative aspects of negligent dog ownership and management.
 - The need to minimise danger, distress and nuisance to the community generally.
 - The need to avoid inherent danger in allowing dogs to have uncontrolled access to public places that are frequented by children, whether or not the children are accompanied by adults.
 - The importance of enabling, to the extent that is practicable, the public (including families) to use streets and public amenities without fear of attack or intimidation by dogs.
 - The exercise and recreational needs of dogs and their owners.
34. Residents should be able to enjoy a quality of life that is not affected by the worry of having their own pets attacked or being personally threatened by roaming dogs or dogs leaving their properties. The recommended decision is consistent with the Dog Control Policy and with the intent of the Act.

Affected Parties Consultation

35. As the Committee is making a regulatory decision in respect of the objection to the menacing dog classification, consultation is not required under the Significance and Engagement Policy. Those who are directly affected by the decision of the Environment and Hearings Committee will be present on the day or will be contacted prior to the Hearing.

Whakakapia / Conclusion

36. George has been classified as menacing in accordance with the Act and Council's Policy. The territorial authority has reasonable grounds to believe George belongs wholly or predominantly to one or more breeds or types listed in Schedule 4. This report proposes that the menacing classification be upheld.



Mark Smith
**Kaiārahi Ope Tūtohu /
Compliance Team Leader**

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[Seen by]
Liam Dagg
**Kaiarataki Taiao /
Group Manager Environmental Services**

05 November 2020

Tenille Snooks & Dallas Stuart


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Dear Tenille & Dallas

Menacing Dog Classification – ‘GEORGE’ Dog Number 20466

According to our records you have an American Pitbull Terrier registered to you.

The Council is required to classify your dog as menacing due to the breed of the dog.

The effects of this classification are as follows:-

- You must not allow your dog to be at large or in any public place or in a private way (see definition attached), except when confined completely within a vehicle or cage, without being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breathe and drink without obstruction.
- If you have not already done so, you are required to have your dog desexed and produce a certificate to Council within **one month** from the date of this letter.
- If you have not already done so, you must have your dog implanted with a microchip and produce a certificate to Council within **one month** from the date of this letter.

For your convenience, Council offers a microchipping service for a fee of \$45.00 per dog. Microchipping is carried out by an Animal Control Officer during the hours of 1 – 2 pm weekdays (excluding public holidays). You will be required to pay for this service in advance at the Council office on Albion Street, Hawera. If you would like your dog(s) microchipped by an Animal Control Officer please contact Regulatory Services at Council for further information.

The classification of your dog as menacing takes effect from the date of this letter.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Chantelle Denton
Regulatory Services Manager

regservices@stdc.govt.nz

NOTICE OF CLASSIFICATION OF DOG AS A MENACING DOG
Section 33C, Dog Control Act 1996

Tenille Snooks & Dallas Stuart

Dog: 'GEORGE', a Male Red Pitbull Terrier, (20466)

This is to notify you* that this dog has been classified as a menacing dog under section 33C of the Dog Control Act 1996.

This is because under the South Taranaki District Council Dog Control Policy and Bylaw, the Council has reasonable grounds to believe that the dog belongs wholly or predominantly to the American Pit Bull Terrier type as defined in Schedule 4 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

A summary of the effect of the classification and your right to objection is provided.

Liam Dagg
Group Manager
Environmental Services

Dated: 05 November 2020

*For the purposes of the Dog Control Act 1996, you are the owner of a dog if-

- you own the dog; or
- you have the dog in your possession (otherwise than for a period not exceeding 72 hours for the purpose of preventing the dog causing injury, or damage, or distress, or for the sole purpose of restoring a lost dog to its owner); or
- you are the parent or guardian of a person under 16 who is the owner of the dog and who is a member of your household living with and dependent on you.



Effect of Classification as Menacing Dog
Sections 33E, 33F and 36A, Dog Control Act 1996

You –

Under the Dog Control Act 1996 the following dogs have been classified by the Government as a menacing breed or type of dog:

Brazilian Fila	Dogo Argentino
Japanese Tosa	American Pit Bull Terrier
Perro de Presa Canario	

- (a) must not allow the dog to be at large or in any public place or in any private way, except when confined completely within a vehicle or cage, without being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breathe and drink without obstruction; and
- (b) must, produce to the South Taranaki District Council, within 1 month after receipt of notice of the classification, a certificate issued by a registered veterinary surgeon certifying-
 - (i) that the dog is or has been neutered; or
 - (ii) that for reasons that are specified in the certificate, the dog will not be in a fit condition to be neutered before a date specified in the certificate; and
- (c) where a certificate under paragraph (b)(ii) is produced to the South Taranaki District Council, produce to the South Taranaki District Council, within 1 month after the date specified in that certificate, a further certificate under paragraph (b)(i).

You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 if you fail to comply with all of the matters in paragraphs (a) to (c) above.

A dog control officer or dog ranger may seize and remove the dog from you if you fail to comply with all of the matters in paragraphs (a) to (c) above. The officer or ranger may keep the dog until you demonstrate that you are willing to comply with paragraphs (a) to (c).

As from the 1 July 2006, you are also required, for the purpose of providing permanent identification of the dog, to arrange for the dog to be implanted with a functioning microchip transponder. This must be confirmed by making the dog available to the South Taranaki District Council in accordance with the reasonable instructions of the South Taranaki District Council for verification that the dog has been implanted with a functioning microchip transponder of the prescribed type and in the prescribed location.

You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$3,000 if you fail to comply with this requirement –

- within 2 months from 1 July 2006 if your dog is classified as menacing on or after 1 December 2003 but before 1 July 2006; or
- within 2 months after the dog is classified as menacing if your dog is classified as menacing after 1 July 2006.

If the dog is in the possession of another person for a period not exceeding 72 hours, you must advise that person of the requirement to not allow the dog to be at large or in any public place or in any private way (other than when confined completely within a vehicle or cage) without the dog being muzzled in such a manner as to prevent the dog from biting but to allow it to breathe and drink without obstruction. You will commit an offence and be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 if you fail to comply with this requirement.

Full details of the effect of the classification of a dog as menacing are provided in the Dog Control Act 1996.

Right of Objection to Classification under Section 33C
Section 33D, Dog Control Act 1996

You may object to the classification of your dog as menacing by lodging with the South Taranaki District Council a written objection within 14 days of receipt of this notice setting out the grounds on which you object.

You have the right to be heard in support of your objection and will be notified of the time and place at which your objection will be heard.



Payment can be made at
Hawera Office, Albion St
Private Bag 902, Hawera
06 278 0565 or 0800 111 323

This becomes a tax
invoice when paid
GST No: 62-769-477

DOG REGISTRATION APPLICATION

PLEASE COMPLETE FULL OWNER(S) DETAILS

PRIMARY OWNER: (IN FULL)	Dallas Stuart	ADDITIONAL OWNER:	Tennille Snooks
POSTAL ADDRESS:	[REDACTED]	PHONE (HOME)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	PHONE (WORK)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	PHONE (MOBILE)	[REDACTED]
PHONE (HOME)	[REDACTED]	DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]
PHONE (WORK)	[REDACTED]	OCCUPATION:	Fonterra
PHONE (MOBILE)	[REDACTED]	ADDRESS DOG(S) KEPT AT:	Same as above.
EMAIL:	[REDACTED]		
OCCUPATION:	[REDACTED]		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]		

Office use only
Property Id 16764
Primary Owner Id 15956
Additional Owner Id 56628

REGISTRATION FEES ARE DUE ON 1 JULY. A PENALTY FEE OF 50% OF THE AMOUNT OUTSTANDING WILL BE IMPOSED ON DOGS OVER THREE MONTHS OF AGE NOT REGISTERED BY 31 JULY.

PLEASE COMPLETE BELOW: ADDING ANY NEW DOGS AND DELETING DEAD AND/OR SOLD DOGS (with explanation)

DOG ID	DOGS NAME	BREED	COLOUR	SEX	DE SEXED	AGE	MICRO CHIPPED	NEW TAG	DOG CLASS	CURRENT FEE
201266	George	Pitbull x	Red	M	Y	4yrs	Y	0802	U	82.00

Please Note:

It is a legal requirement to notify Council if your dog is deceased, has left the district, changed address or has changed ownership.

I hereby certify that the above named dog(s) are all the dog(s) over the age of three months owned by me or in my possession or care at the date of this application.

SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 23-10-2020

ALL FEES INCLUDE GST

Property No:

Balance brought forward:

Current Year Charges:

Total Due: 82.00

Receipt 916 229 Date 23/10/20 Initial m/2020

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NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT COUNCIL
newplymouthnz.com

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT:

DOGS NAME: George
COLOUR: Red
BREED: Rottley
SEX: Male
AGE: 2 wks



HAS BEEN NEUTERED EUTHANISED ON: 21/10/2020

OWNED BY: CT-SAGA
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 187 MV

SIGNED BY: [Signature]
VET CLINIC: BBIWRT

BELL BLOCK VET CLINIC
1149 Devon Road R.D. 3
NEW PLYMOUTH
Phone (06) 755 1031


(Your stamp can be used to confirm clinic details)

NB In accordance with the Dog Control Act 1996, Council can only refund money from the date of application for euthanised dogs.

Neutering discounts commence from the first registration paid after this form and/or certificate of neutering has been received.

Please send this form to
New Plymouth District Council
Private Bag 2025
Or
Fax to (06) 759 6072

PET DETAILS

Pet's name 471717 George
 Date of birth 6 wks Species Dog/cat/rabbit
 Breed Pit Bull x Sex M/F
 Colour Red Desexed Y/N
 Microchip

934000090254389

OWNER DETAILS

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ Mobile _____

BREEDER DETAILS

Name CSPCA
 Address _____
 Phone _____ Mobile _____
 Pet ID _____

This is a certificate of vaccination. It is confirmation that the animal is fit for vaccination at the time of administration, having no detectable abnormalities that preclude vaccination(s) being administered. It is not a certificate of the animal's general health.

WELCOME TO THE PET VACCINATION RECORD

It's a great gift to share the companionship that a pet brings. It's also a big responsibility. Your Pet Vaccination Record is here to help you each step of the way.

Please remember to take your Pet Vaccination Record with you each time you visit your veterinary clinic.

It is important to show this when you take your pet to a kennel, cattery or daycare, because proof of up to date vaccinations is required.

We wish you and your pet many years of health and vitality.

IMPORTANCE OF YOUR VETERINARIAN

Your veterinarian is the health professional qualified to understand and care for your pet. Your veterinarian will work in consultation with you.

By ensuring you keep your Pet Vaccination Record up to date you will assist your vet in determining the best regime for a healthy and happy pet. It is important to make sure your pet receives regular health checks with your vet so they provide the best advice for your pet's long term wellbeing.

If at any time you have any concerns about your pet, please contact your veterinary clinic.

DESEXING CERTIFICATION

Date 2/10/20
BELL BLOCK VET CL:
 Clinic 1149 Devon Road R.D.
NEW PLYMOUTH
 Veterinarian Phone (06) 755 1021
 Signature [Handwritten Signature]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 24 July 2024 10:27 am
To: Contact
Subject: Fwd: Dog registration/ Breed re-classification GEORGE dog ID 20466
Attachments: Animal_Registration_2714695_Property_16764.pdf; George adoption form 2.pdf; George adoption form.pdf; George registration details » Companion Animal Register.pdf

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Dallas Stuart <dallas_strt@yahoo.co.nz>
Date: 23 July 2024 at 1:18:34 PM NZST
To: regservices@stdc.govt.nz
Subject: Fw: Dog registration/ Breed re-classification GEORGE dog ID 20466

From: Dallas Stuart <dallas_strt@yahoo.co.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2024 4:12 AM
To: regservices@stdc.govt.nz <regservices@stdc.govt.nz>
Subject: Dog registration/ Breed re-classification GEORGE dog ID 20466

To whom this may concern.

I am writing this e-mail in regard to my 3-4-year-old dog George. As he is registered with the South Taranaki District Council as a menacing breed, I am requesting to have him reclassified in accordance with documents as evidence.

I had spoken to Michelle at the front counter (01-07-2024) regarding this matter who contacted Chantelle (Mgr Animal services) and passed on my concerns.

I put this matter forward a year ago with Lio Marsters, the animal control officer at the time, provided the documents he required and awaited a reply but no further action. I have owned George as a 12-week-old rescue pup from the SPCA New Plymouth. As someone who is to adopt a dog I went through the standard procedures as an applicant to obtain George with documentation to complete the process. Attached are the files to complete my request subject to your investigation.

I have taken time to rectify this matter, but my reasons are purely to have George removed under the menacing breed category, to qualify for a selected owner policy which in the past have failed to meet requirements due to "breed" not as competent model dog owner. This re classification George also gives future options if I were to take him overseas.

Any questions or concerns please contact me and am happy to discuss further. I look forward to your reply so we can settle this matter before the due deadline to re-register George.

Kind Regards

Dallas Stuart.

RĒHITATANGA KURĪ Dog Registration 2024/25



Te Kaunihera o Taranaki ki Te Tonga
**South Taranaki
District Council**

This becomes a tax invoice when paid
GST No: 52-769-477
Notice ID: 2714695
Property No:16764

Primary Owner - 15956

Dallas L N Stuart



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Please Note:

It is a legal requirement to notify Council if your dog is deceased, has left the district, changed address or has changed ownership.

Name: Dallas L N Stuart
Birth Date: [Redacted]
Email: [Redacted]
Phone: [Redacted]



Dog ID 20466 Current Fee \$173.00
GEORGE

Breed	Terrier, American Pit Bull
Colour	Red Age 4Y
Sex	M Desexed Yes
Microchipped	Yes Dog Class MenDogDesU

Location where dog/s are kept:
8 Fantham Street Hawera 4610

Additional Owner



Balance as at 04 June 2024 :	\$0.00
Current year's charges:	\$173.00
TOTAL DUE:	\$173.00
<i>All fees Include GST</i>	

Ways to pay:

- **Internet Banking** - Our account number with Westpac is 03-0647-0220100-03. Please use "20466" in the reference field. If paying multiple invoices together, please email details to payments@stdc.govt.nz
- **Credit Card Online** - Visit www.southtaranaki.com/our-services/pay-online to pay by credit card. Please quote "20466" in the payment reference field.
- **In Person** - You can pay in person at our Hāwera Administration Building or any of our LibraryPlus centres across the District.

Tag/s will be sent via post for online registration payments within 10 working days of full fee receipt.
Please ensure the postal address for the Primary Owner is correct.

Being a responsible dog owner

Things to consider are:

- Registering your dog
- Keeping your dog under control at all times
- Providing your dog with proper care and attention including appropriate food, water and shelter
- Adequately exercising your dog
- Making sure your dog doesn't cause a nuisance to any other person by persistent and loud barking, howling or any other means
- Keeping your dog on a leash at all times when in urban areas
- Ensuring you comply with the Dog Control Act 1996, Dog Control Policy and Bylaw (to find out more about these documents, please visit www.southtaranaki.com)
- If you are already doing all of this, you may be eligible to be a Selected Owner and receive discounted registration fees. To find out more go to [Strive to be a Selected Owner - South Taranaki District Council](#)

Dog Registration Fees 2024/2025	Rate (paid before 1 August)
Urban	201.00
Urban Spayed/Neutered	173.00
Selected Owner Policy (SOP) - Entire	121.00
Selected Owner Policy (SOP)- spayed/neutered	92.00
Rural (first 2 Dogs)	78.00
Rural (Three or more)	66.00
Disability Assist Dog (as per Dog Control Act, Schedule 5)	Free
Dangerous Dog	Base Fee + 50%

For a full list of fees associated with animal control, head to www.southtaranaki.com/feesandcharges

Late Payment Penalty

A 50% penalty will be applied to the outstanding fee balances on the 1st August 2024. Select Owners with an outstanding fee balance will have their policy revoked.

Microchipping is a one-time procedure, separate from dog registration. New puppies and dogs must be microchipped within 2 months of first registration. Please check if we have the correct microchip details of your dog, as this helps identify dogs that are roaming or lost and reunite with their owners. If not, please inform us of the correct details or send us your dog's microchip certificate.

Vaccinations are one of the most essential of all routine pet care procedures. Dogs need to be vaccinated against three potentially fatal diseases - distemper, hepatitis and parvovirus. There is also a vaccine that helps in the prevention of kennel cough which is recommended. Adult dogs should be vaccinated every 12 months as an ongoing routine. If you have a puppy, the courses will look different, so please talk to your vet.

Barking dogs: It is perfectly normal and reasonable for dogs to bark from time to time, just as children make noise when they play outside. Barking complaints are investigated by an animal compliance officers who will decide if the barking is loud and persistent. (Persistent = continuous barking for more than 10 minutes or stop-start barking for over 20 minutes).

Contact Us

Contact South Taranaki District Council for all Animal Management issues 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling (06) 278 0555 or tollfree on 0800 111 323. You can also email us on contact@stdc.govt.nz or visit www.southtaranaki.com/dogsofsouthtaranaki



Debbie Jones

From: Contact
Sent: Wednesday, 24 July 2024 11:22 am
To: Debbie Jones
Subject: FW: Dallas Stuart : George photos



Te Kaunihera o Taranaki ki Te Tonga

**South Taranaki
District Council**

Marion Betham

Kaitātari Ratonga Kiritaki | Customer Services Officer

Te Kaunihera o Taranaki ki Te Tonga | South Taranaki District Council

105-111 Albion Street | Private Bag 902, Hāwera 4640, NZ

Waea/Phone: +64 6 278 0555 | 0800 111 323 | www.southtaranaki.com

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Subject: Dallas Stuart : George photos

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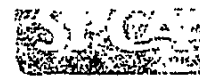




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ANIMAL ADOPTION AGREEMENT



Date 22, 10, 2020

Details of animal #1

Name: George
 Microchip n 
 Comments: 934000090254389
 Breed: Staffy x

ID no 471717

Colour/markings: Tan
 Room no. _____
 Estimated age: 3 months
 Sex: male female

Details of animal #2

Name: _____
 Microchip number: _____
 Comments: _____
 Breed: _____

ID no: _____

Colour/markings: _____
 Room no. _____
 Estimated age: _____
 Sex: male female

Conditions of animal adoption.

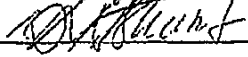
I understand and agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. I accept full responsibility for the animal I have chosen to adopt and for its welfare.
2. I understand that at the time of the adoption SPCA is acting in good faith and is not aware of any health concerns affecting the animal. However, if SPCA is aware of any existing health issues, these will be clearly disclosed and explained to me, and I choose to adopt the animal with knowledge of these health issues.
3. I understand that I may have rights and remedies available to me under the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993. Subject to that Act, if the adopted animal shows signs of ill health within 14 days of the date of this agreement, SPCA may, in its sole discretion, refund you part of the veterinary costs you incur, provided:
 - a. SPCA is given immediate notice of the illness;
 - b. you take the animal to a veterinary facility of SPCA's choice; and
 - c. SPCA agrees in writing to provide the refund prior to the commencement of any treatment.
4. I will abide by all relevant laws of New Zealand, including the Dog Control Act 1996 where applicable, and the Animal Welfare Act 1999. I understand that I must provide the animal with suitable and sufficient animal food, water, shelter and veterinary treatment and that I commit an offence if I do not do so.
5. I will ensure all details for the animal on the microchip database remain current.
6. If I need to rehome the animal, I shall ensure this is done with due diligence, care and skill to ensure the best outcome for the animal.
7. I have read, understand, and agree to SPCA's Privacy Policy (available on www.spcan.z/privacy). I authorise SPCA to collect and retain my name and contact details, and to disclose those details to certain related entities, contractors, personnel, agents and other third parties, for the purpose of adopting the animal, and for other purposes described in SPCA's Privacy Policy. I authorise SPCA to disclose those details, and details of my adopted animal, to any Council and its Animal Management Contractors for the purpose of registering my adopted animal with those entities.
8. I agree to SPCA disclosing my contact information with third parties, such as Southern Cross Pet Insurance and Nestlé Purina PetCare, for the purpose of promoting and marketing their goods and services, and informing me of new goods, special offers, and events which might interest me.

Adoption Fee \$ 300.00

Name: Dalw Stuart

Witness (placement officer): 

Signature:  Date: 22 10 2020

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1 Applicant details



What is your NZ residency status?
 NZ citizen Permanent resident Other, please state _____



2 Your household

How many people live in your household? 2 Please provide ages of any children under 18 _____
What best describes your current living situation?
 Renting Own your own home Live with family Other, please state _____
If renting you require your landlord's permission:
Landlord's name: _____ Contact: _____
Is a new baby expected in your family? No Yes
Does anyone in the home suffer from animal related allergies? No Yes



3 Planning for an animal in your household

What type of animal are you looking to adopt? Dog
What is your main reason for adopting an animal? Another family member
Have you owned this type of animal before? No Yes
If yes, what happened to it? Old age 15 years
Please describe the current pets in your household. None
Where will your new animal be housed? Home
If you have existing animals, do you have separate housing for the new animal?
Bonding animals needs time and patience, more information is available to help you. Please visit us.
If you have an existing animal of the same species, is it desexed? No Yes
What activities will you do with your animal? Exercise, bonding
How will your animal be cared for if you go on holiday? Family members
If your animal developed a behavioural issue, what would you do? Seek advice
Are you aware of the responsibilities and cost of owning this type of animal? No Yes
We would be happy to discuss this with you.

Signature

We appreciate your cooperation in completing this form. Our aim is to adopt each animal to the most suitable owner. We reserve the right to decline an application at our discretion and to request proof of ID. You must be over 18 to adopt an animal. Please sign below to indicate your understanding of this.



Signature: [Handwritten Signature] DATE: 72 10 2020

COMPANION ANIMAL REGISTERED DETAILS



To update any of the below registration details, please log into your account using your email address. If no email is recorded, please contact us.

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i Companion Animal Details

Animal Name: George	Microchip Number: 934000090254389
Gender: Male	Desexed: Yes
Breed Type: Crossbreed	Date of Birth (approx): July 2020
Primary Breed: Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Primary Colour Secondary Colour - -
Secondary Breed: -	Detailed Colour Description Tan
Behavioural, physical, & medical notes: Timid and scared at times due to George being a rescue dog. has a friendly nature once a bit of trust is formed.	Breeder/Rescue notes: -
Alternate ID Number: -	Local Authority: South Taranaki District Council

i Guardian Contact Information

First Name: Dallas	Last Name: Stuart
Contact Number: [REDACTED]	Alternative Number: -
Residential Address: [REDACTED]	Email: [REDACTED]

i Secondary Contact

First Name: Tennille	Last Name: Snooks
Contact Number: [REDACTED]	Alternative Number: -

The above details are from the NZ Companion Animal Register as at 2/7/2024

 info@animalregister.co.nz
 0508 LOSTPET (567873)

Application Form

Selected Owner Policy (SOP)

South Taranaki District Council
 Private Bag 902, Hawera, 4640
 Phone: 0800 111 323
 Fax: 06 278 8757
 Email: regservices@stdc.govt.nz
 Web: www.southtaranaki.com



THIS APPLICATION IS FOR:

- New application Update of details (change of address)

Please complete sections 1 – 4 only.

1) APPLICANT DETAILS

Full name of applicant/s:	Dallas Leon Ngaringo Stuart.		
Postal Address of applicant/s:	[REDACTED]		
Address where dog/s are kept:	"		
Home phone:		Mobile phone:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]		

2) FURTHER INFORMATION

Do you have more than 2 dogs at this address? (If more than two dogs, please attach details)	YES / <u>NO</u>
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3) DOG DETAILS

Dogs name:	George	Tag number:	0802
Dogs age:	12 wks	Sex:	<u>Male</u> / Female
		Spayed / Neutered:	<u>YES</u> / NO
Dogs breed (primary and secondary):	Staffie cross Pitbull - Menacing classification		

Dogs name:		Tag number:	
Dogs age:		Sex:	Male / Female
		Spayed / Neutered:	YES / NO
Dogs breed (primary and secondary):			

4) DECLARATION ON APPLICATION

Signature of owner: [Signature] Date: 23.10.2020

I hereby state that the information provided on this form is true and correct. I understand that an Animal Control Officer will be in contact before the next dog registration is due, to undertake a property inspection.

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Environmental Services check list:			
Owner no/s:	Tenille 56628	Owner no/s:	Dallas 15956
Animal no/s:	20466	Property no:	16764
		Classification:	YES / <u>NO</u>
		Impounded:	YES / <u>NO</u>
Registered:	<u>YES</u> / NO	Infringements:	YES / <u>NO</u>



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Please note: Sections 5 and 6 are to be completed during the property inspection, at a later date.

5.) ACO check list Property Inspection – ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER TO FILL OUT <u>ONLY!</u>		√ or x
1	Owner present during inspection of property?	
2	Proof of current vaccination and worming?	
3	Is dog from Schedule 4 of the <i>Dog Control Act 1996</i> or classified as menacing by deed?	
4	Proof that the dog is desexed?	
5	Proof that the dog is microchipped?	
6	Dogs are cared for:	
	• Feeding	
	• Housing	
	• Exercising / Dog Condition	
	• Fencing	
7	Copy of Selected Owner Policy provided to owner?	
8	Photographs of property and fencing attached?	
	Further notes:	

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6.) DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE – during property inspection visit only!

I certify that I have discussed the requirements of this policy with _____ (Animal Control Officer). By signing this form I have read and understand my obligations as a dog owner under the *South Taranaki District Council Selected Owner Policy*.

I shall comply with all requirements of the *Dog Control Act 1996*, the current *South Taranaki District Council Dog Control Bylaw* and the current *South Taranaki District Council Dog Control Policy*. I am aware that if I breach the Act, Bylaw or Policy (as mentioned above), that Council can immediately revoke my SOP status. Failure to have registration fees paid in full by 31 July each year will result in the forfeiture of SOP classification and fees will be increased accordingly.

Signature of owner/occupier: _____ Date: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Environmental Services check list:			
ACO:	Approved / Declined	RS Manager:	Approved / Declined

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Dallas Stuart
[REDACTED]

Dear Dallas

Selected Owner Application

Some time ago you applied to be considered for Selected Owner status.

The Selected Owner Policy has been designed to assist those urban owners who make considerable efforts to ensure their dogs are safe, healthy, well trained, and regularly registered on or before 1 July of each year.

Dogs must have a clear record of no complaints, impounding, or by-law contraventions as well as have lived at the same address in the twelve month period prior to the application being considered.

Unfortunately, your application has been declined due to the following reason:

George is classified as menacing by breed.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chantelle Denton'.


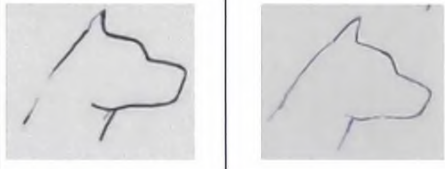

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Regulatory Services Manager

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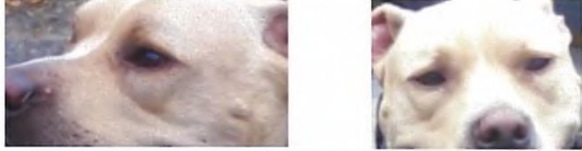








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Resource booklet – American Pit Bull Terrier type (APBT)








HEAD	
Description	<p>Head – the APBT head is a key element of the breed type. It is large and broad, giving the impression of great power, but it is not disproportionate to the size of the body. Viewed from the front, the head is shaped like a broad, blunt wedge. Viewed from the side, the skull and muzzle are parallel and joined by a well-defined, moderately deep stop.</p> <p>Head Shape – the skull is large, flat, or slightly rounded, deep, and broad between the ears. Viewed from the top, the skull tapers just slightly toward the stop. There is a deep median furrow that diminishes in depth from the stop to the occiput.</p> <p>Cheek muscles are prominent but free of wrinkles. When the dog is concentrating, wrinkles form on the forehead, which give the APBT his unique expression.</p> <p>Muzzle – the muzzle is broad and deep with a very slight taper from the stop to the nose, and a slight falling away under the eyes. The length of muzzle is shorter than the length of skull, with a ratio of approximately 2:3. The topline of the muzzle is straight. The lower jaw is well developed, wide and deep. Lips are clean and tight.</p> <p>Nose - The nose is large with wide, open nostrils. The nose may be any colour.</p> <p>Dog anatomy:</p>  <p><small>Not an APBT – for illustration purposes only</small></p>
Cheek muscles	<p>Outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prominence of the cheek muscles helps form the overall head picture. 
Muzzle	<p>Examples:</p> 










EARS	
<p>Ear shape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semi-erect ear carriage • Set high on the head and free from wrinkles. 	<p>Examples:</p>  
<p>Not: Button shape e.g. Wirehaired Fox Terrier</p> 	<p>Rounded short shape and/or dropped carriage e.g. Labrador</p> 
<p>Bat Shape e.g. Boston Terrier</p> 	<p>Rounded long shape, e.g. Basset Hound</p> 












<p>Head shape – Mesaticephalic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium skull with a medium muzzle. • Broad at the base but short in length. 	<p><u>Examples:</u></p> 		
			
			
	<p><u>Not:</u> Dolichocephalic e.g. Greyhound</p> 	<p>Brachycephalic e.g. Pug</p> 	




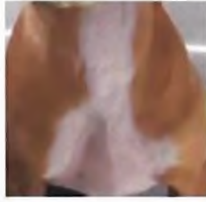








EYES		
<p>Eye shape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eyes are medium size, round to almond-shaped, and set well apart and low on the skull. 	<p>Examples:</p> 	
		
	<p>Not: Round shape e.g. Pug</p> 	<p>Triangular shape e.g. Bull Terrier</p> 
	<p>Not: Protruding type e.g. Chihuahua</p> 	<p>Deep type e.g. Shar Pei</p> 
<p>Eye set (eye position in the skull)</p>	<p>Examples:</p> 	
	<p>Not: Wide set e.g. American Staffordshire Terrier</p> 	<p>Oblique set e.g. Greyhound</p> 

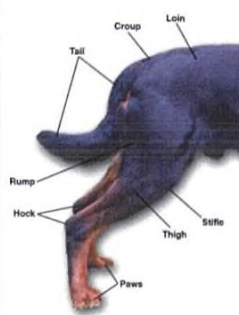
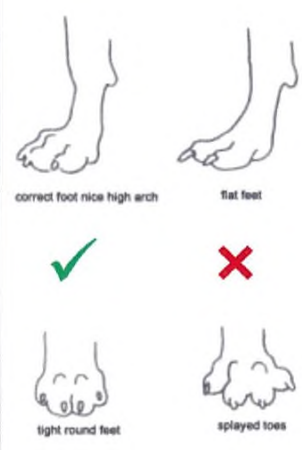
BODY	
<p>Description</p>	<p>Neck – the neck is of moderate length and muscular. The neck should be narrowest just behind the ears and widen downward gradually to blend smoothly into the withers (top of the shoulders). The skin on the neck is tight and without dewlap.</p> <p>Forequarters – the shoulder blades are long, wide, muscular, and well laid back. The upper arm is roughly equal in length to the shoulder blade and joins it at an apparent right angle.</p> <p>Forelegs – the forelegs are strong and muscular. The elbows are set close to the body. Viewed from the front, the forelegs are set moderately wide apart and perpendicular to the ground. The pasterns are short, powerful, straight, and flexible. When viewed in profile, the pasterns are nearly erect.</p> <p>Back – the back should be short and strong, slightly sloping from withers to rump. The topline should be slightly higher at the withers than at the rump, with subtle arch just over the loin area.</p> <p>Chest – the chest should be deep, but not too broad, with wide sprung ribs. As the fore chest (also known as the brisket) goes down between the front legs to meet the chest, the fore chest should be deep enough at its lowest point to be even with the dog as elbow when viewed by the side.</p> <p>Dog Anatomy:</p>  <p><small>Not an APBT – For illustration purposes only</small></p>
<p>Size</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium size • Height – at withers, the ideal adult height: male = 45-53cm female = 43-51cm • Weight – estimated, the ideal adult weight: male = 16-27kg female = 14-23kg 	<p>Examples:</p> 


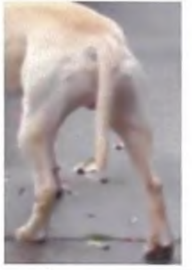
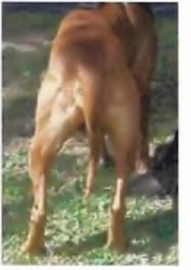










	<p>Not Small e.g. Jack Russell Terrier</p> 	<p>Large e.g. Labrador</p> 	<p>Giant e.g. English Mastiff</p> 
<p>Chest shape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The chest is deep, well filled in, and moderately wide with ample room for heart and lungs • The chest should never be wider than it is deep. • The fore chest does not extend much beyond the point of shoulder. 			
			
	<p>Not Barrel e.g. Bulldog</p> 	<p>Ovoid / Standard e.g. Jack Russell</p> 	
<p>Build</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stocky build 	<p>Examples:</p> 		



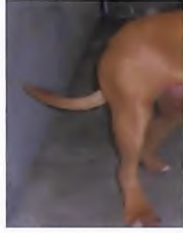










	<p>Not: Solid e.g. Mastiff</p> 	<p>Fine e.g. Greyhound</p> 
<p>Body length</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The body is just slightly longer than tall • Females may be slightly longer in the body than males 	<p>Examples:</p> 	
	<p>Not: Elongated e.g. Dachshund</p> 	
<p>Topline (Gradient of the back from the withers to the rump)</p>	<p>Examples:</p> 	
		

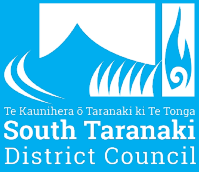
	<p>Not: Level topline e.g. Rottweiler</p> 	<p>Rising topline e.g. Greyhound</p> 
<p>SKIN & COAT</p>		
<p>Coat feel & length</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The coat is glossy and smooth, close, and moderately stiff to the touch. The hair should be rather course in texture. 	<p>Examples:</p>   	
<p>Not: Excess skin e.g. Shar Pei</p> 	<p>Wire-haired e.g. Wire-haired Pointer</p> 	<p>Curly-haired e.g. Poodle</p> 
<p>Hairless e.g. Chinese Crested</p> 	<p>Long coat length e.g. Afghan Hound</p> 	<p>Medium coat length e.g. Border Collie</p> 

Coat colour	Examples:			
	Black			
	Tan			
	Tan & white			
	Chocolate			
	Chocolate & white			
	Light brindle			
	Dark brindle			
	Light & dark brindle			
	Cream			
	White			
	Black and white			

LEGS	
<p>Description</p>	<p>Hindquarters – the hindquarters are strong, muscular, and moderately broad. The rump is well filled in on each side of the tail and deep from the pelvis to the crotch. The bone, angulation, and musculature of the hindquarters are in balance with the forequarters.</p> <p>Thighs – the thighs are well developed with thick, easily discerned muscles. Viewed from the side, the hock joint is well bent and the rear pasterns are well let down and perpendicular to the ground. Viewed from the rear, the rear pasterns are straight and parallel to one another.</p> <p>Legs and Feet – the front legs should be strong and sturdy. The feet should point directly to the front, not towards each other or away from each other. The pasterns (which are the lower part of the front leg, from the joint just above the foot down to the foot) should stand erect and strong.</p> <p>Dog Anatomy:</p>  <p><small>Not an APBT – for illustration purposes only</small></p>
<p>Feet shape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The feet are round, proportionate to the size of the dog, well arched, and tight. • Pads are hard, tough, and well cushioned. 	<p>Diagram:</p> 

<p>Thigh muscles & leg shape</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well developed 	<p><u>Examples:</u></p>		
			
			
			
	<p>Not:</p> <p>Long-legged e.g. Great Dane</p> 		<p>Short-legged e.g. Maltese Terrier</p> 
	<p>Straight leg shape e.g. Wire-haired Fox Terrier</p> 		<p>Crooked leg shape e.g. Lhasa Apso</p> 

TAIL			
Description	<p>The tail is set on as a natural extension of the topline, and tapers to a point.</p> <p>When the dog is relaxed, the tail is carried low and extends approximately to the hock. When the dog is moving, the tail is carried level with the backline.</p>		
	Examples:		
			
			
	<p>Not: Long e.g. Irish Wolfhound</p> 	<p>High carriage e.g. Scottish Terrier</p> 	<p>Short e.g. Boston Terrier</p> 
	<p>Curly e.g. Basenji</p> 	<p>Whip e.g. Pointer</p> 	<p>Screw e.g. Bulldog</p> 
<p>Plume e.g. English Setter</p> 	<p>Spitz type e.g. Samoyed</p> 	<p>Straight e.g. Airedale Terrier</p> 	



Pūrongo-Whakamārama

Information Report

To	Environment and Hearings Committee
From	Tuarua Kaiarataki Taiao / Group Manager Environmental Services, Liam Dagg
Date	28 August 2024
Subject	Environmental Services Activity Report

(This report shall not be construed as policy until adopted by full Council)

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Whakarāpopoto Kāhui Kahika / Executive Summary

1. This report updates the Environment and Hearings Committee on activities relating to the Environmental Services Group (the Group) for the month of June 2024. As June represents the end of the financial year, it also provides an opportunity to look at trends over a 12 month and 24 month timeframe.
2. The Group is comprised of four business units:
 - a) Planning and Development
 - b) Quality Assurance
 - c) Regulatory Services, and
 - d) Environment and Sustainability
3. The first part of the report goes through the operational activities for each of the business units. The second part of the report provides an update on key projects and programmes.
4. Key points to note for the month of June:
 - a) The downward trend for resource consents continued from May and building consent lodgements also dropped again after a brief peak in May.
 - b) There has been a significant improvement in statutory timeframe compliance for building consents.
 - c) The building and resource consent lodgements for the year were well down compared to the previous financial year (2022/23).
 - d) There are encouraging signs in the regulatory area, where roaming dog and barking incidents are also down compared to the 2022/23 financial year, although an increase in reported dog attacks remains a concern.

Taunakitanga / Recommendation

THAT the Environment and Hearings Committee receives the Environmental Services Activity Report.

Ratonga Hanga Whare / Building Control Services

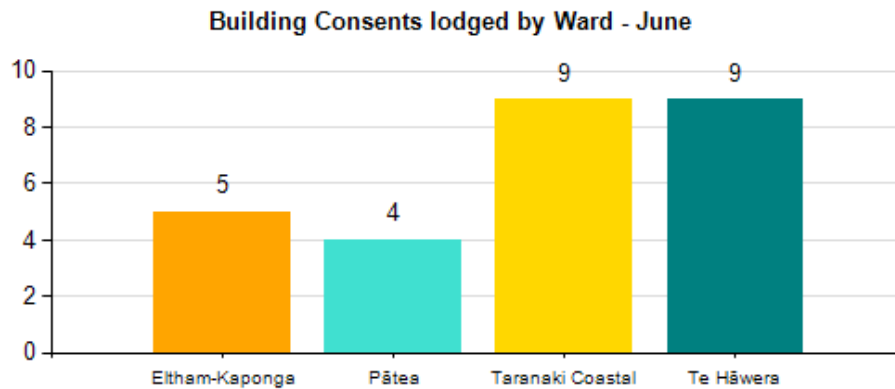
- Building consent activity decreased in June after a peak in May (Table 1). Building consent lodgements are well down on the previous financial year. Statutory compliance has seen a significant improvement over the last two months bringing compliance for the year close to what was achieved for the 2022/2023 financial year. The value of building works for the financial year just ended was also well down on the previous year (2022/23).

Table 1. Building Consents Statistics Summary

Application Activity Building Consents	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year	June 2023
Lodged	28	55	48	484	601	40
Issued	35	68	58	496	569	48
Issued within statutory timeframe	91.4%	82.4%	63.8%	73.8%	83.5%	85.4%
Inspections	232	285	202	2642	2856	228
Value	\$6,514,156	\$4,434,800	\$4,708,600	\$66,022,666	\$100,942,430	\$2,462,560

- Building activity was highest in Te Hāwera ward and the Taranaki Coastal ward across the month of June.

Figure 1 – Building Consents lodged by Ward - June



- Commercial activity is not high compared to residential work across June (Table 2). New dwellings still feature, despite the low overall numbers.

Table 2. Building Consents lodged by Type June

Category	Activity	Eltham-Kaponga	Pātea	Taranaki Coastal	Te Hāwera	Total
Commercial	Additions/Alterations	1		1		2
	Amendment			1	1	2
	New Construction			1		1
	Sub Total	1	0	3	1	5
Residential	Additions/Alterations		1			1
	Amendment	1	2	1	2	6
	Fire	2	2	1	5	10
	New Construction	1				1
	New Dwelling			3	1	4
	Relocation			1		1
	Sub Total	4	5	6	8	23
Total		5	5	9	9	28

Ratonga Whakamahere Taiao / Planning Services

- Resource consent lodgements have not recovered from the sharp decrease in May (Table 3). Lodgements for the year are 20% down on what was received in the 2022/23 financial year. Statutory compliance has also declined along with consent volume, which will be an area of focus.

Table 3. Resource Consent Statistics for June 2024

Application Activity	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year	June 2023
Lodged	12	9	24	165	199	9
Granted	11	15	16	142	173	11
Issued within statutory timeframe	100%	100%	100%	97%	97.7%	90.9%

- The number of subdivision and land use resource consents were similar during this reporting period (Table 4). This contrasts to most previous months, where subdivision consents significantly outnumbered land use consents. This difference is evident from the YTD figures (87 subdivision:58 land use). Given the low numbers for June, there was no clear pattern across the wards for land use consents (Figure 2). Subdivision activity with the highest lot yields was in Pātea and Te Hāwera (Figure 3), but again the sample size is small.

Resource Consent by Type for June 2024

Table 4 - Subdivision and Land Use Resource Consents

Category	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year	June 2023
Certificate of Compliance			1	1	2	
Land Use Change of Condition	2	1	3	12	9	
Land Use General	5	4	6	58	83	8
Subdivision	4	4	13	87	100	1
Subdivision Change of Condition	1		1	7	5	

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Figure 2 – Land Use Resource Consents lodged - June

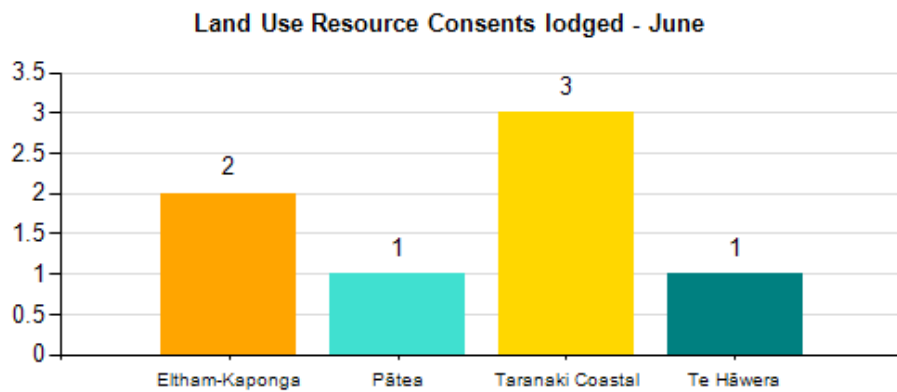
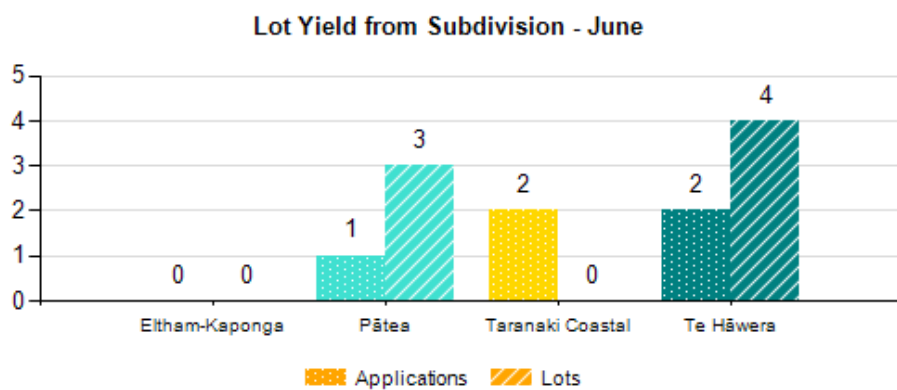


Figure 3 – Lot Yield from Subdivision - June



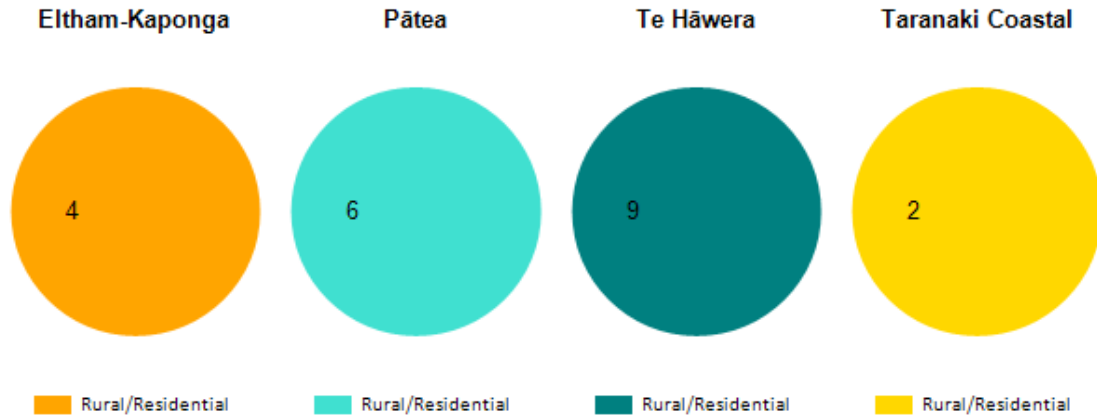
Land Information Memorandum

10. Requests for Land Information Memorandums (LIMs) remain high (Table 6). Overall, most of the LIM applications have been for residential or rural land, with most in Te Hāwera (Figure 7).

Table 6 – LIM Applications for June 2024

LIM Applications	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year
Lodged	21	21	25	195	174

Figure 7 - LIM Applications by Ward June 2024



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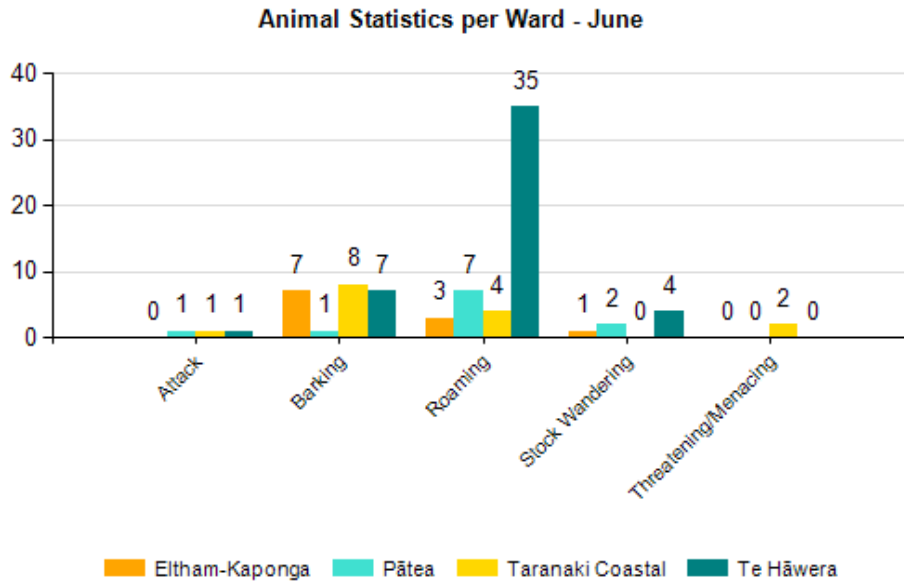
11. The statistics for Customer Service Requests relating to animals is shown in Table 7. The number of incidents in June are similar compared to the previous month and June last year. While more attacks were reported in the 2023/24 financial year compared to the previous year, roaming, threatening and barking incidents saw significant decreases.

Table 7 – Customer Service Requests: Animal Control

Service Requests Animals	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year	June 2023
Attack	3	3	3	50	37	2
Barking	23	29	28	359	391	22
Roaming	49	41	49	578	672	54
Stock Wandering	7	3	6	100	123	4
Threatening/Menacing	2	5	1	37	49	5

12. Most of the roaming dog call outs were in Te Hāwera ward during June (Figure 4). This has been a consistent pattern for the year with occasional spikes in the Pātea ward.

Figure 4 – Animal Statistics per Ward - June

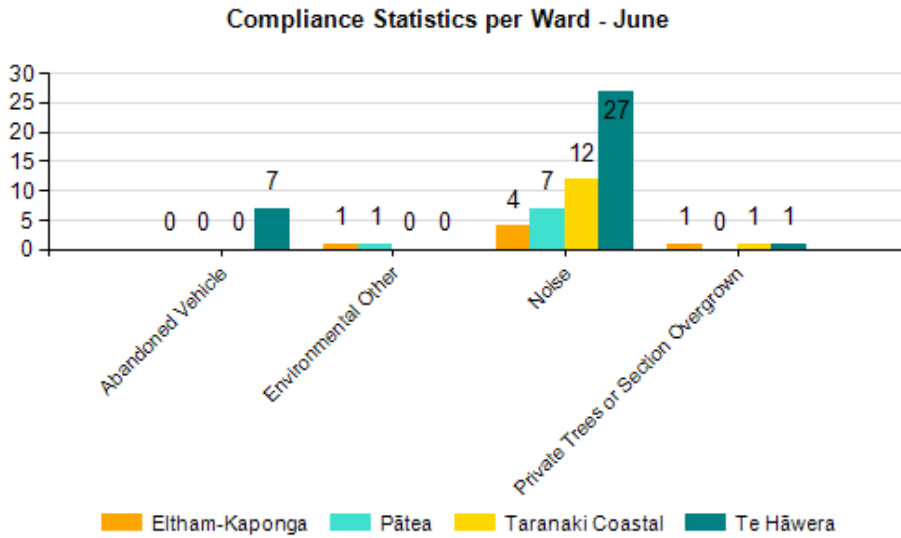


13. The statistics for Customer Requests relating to other regulatory compliance matters are shown in Table 8. The year on year trends are noteworthy; abandoned vehicles and noise complaints are up, illegal dumping and ‘other’ reports saw decreases. Te Hāwera Ward was where most incidents were reported across all categories (figure 5).

Table 8 - Customer Service Requests: Other Types

Service Requests Compliance	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	End of Financial year 2023/24	2022/23 Financial Year	June 2023
Abandoned Vehicle	7	10	6	96	76	8
Environmental Other	2	12	11	80	190	8
Illegal Dumping		3	1	35	44	7
Noise	49	34	40	625	616	34
Private Trees or Section Overgrown	3	5	4	51	56	6

Figure 5 – Compliance Statistics per Ward - June



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14. Below are the details of current prosecutions:

Prosecution Type	Ward	Outcome
Dog Attack on Human	Taranaki Coastal	Ongoing – First appearance on 19 January 2024. The next appearance is set for 15 August 2024.
Dog Attack on Domestic Animal	Eltham-Kaponga	Charge Filed with Court – first appearance held on 12 July 2024. Owner pleaded guilty. Sentencing hearing to be held on 20 August 2024.
Dog Attack on Domestic Animal	Eltham-Kaponga	Owner filed request for release of the dog whilst prosecution case is considered. Request has been declined. Objection hearing set for 24 September 2024.

Rautaki Kaupapa me ngā Hōtaka / Strategic Projects and Programmes

Reforestation Project

15. Pātea Saltmarsh – planning for phase two is currently underway and monitoring will be continued.

Business Waste Minimisation

16. As part of the ResourceWise business waste minimisation program, all Council facilities will be audited to identify ways to reduce waste. Currently, four facilities have been completed and the remainder will be carried out soon. These reports will be shared once all audits have been completed.

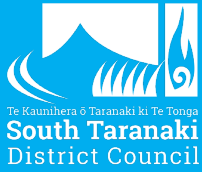
District Plan Change Update

17. Plan Change 2 (Todd Energy Plan Change). The Joint Witness Statement from the risk experts has provided a joint position on the four points that were raised at the last pre-hearing meeting. The next stage is for parties to resolve the outstanding matters in a third and final pre-hearing forum scheduled for September 2024.
18. The further submission period for Plan Change 3 – (Papakāinga) has closed. The team are currently working through summarising the submission points before we schedule as hearing, which will take place before the end of the year.



Liam Dagg

**Tuarua Kaiarataki Taiao /
Group Manager Environmental Services**



Karakia

8. Karakia

Ruruku Whakakapi – Closing Prayer

Unuhia, unuhia

Unuhia ki te uru tapu nui

Kia wātea, kia māmā te ngākau, te
tinana, te wairua i te ara takatū

Kia wātea, ka wātea, āe rā, kua wātea

Rire rire hau pai marire!

Draw on, draw on,

Draw on the supreme sacredness

*To clear, to free the heart, the body and the
spirit of mankind*

To be clear, will be clear, yes is cleared.

Deeply in peace!