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Manager Community Safety and Emergency Management

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Mr Tony Brown

Dear Tony

WALGA PUPPY FARMING SURVEY

Thank you for the opportunity to consider and comment on the Stop Puppy Farming Local Government consultation paper in response to the State Government's recently announced intentions to introduce laws to address the significant concerns of puppy farming practices in WA.

The City considered this matter in consultation with our Elected Members at a Forum on 31 July 2018 and wishes to advise that the City's preference is that puppy farming is dealt with as animal welfare matter and administered by the RPSCA through an education approach rather than through a compliance approach under the Dog Act.

On this basis the City has decided not to complete the questionnaire as the questions either relate to legislative provisions for dealing with the puppy farming practices or relate to issues broader than what has been sought through the consultation paper.

I understand that WALGA will now progress this matter through its Zone and State Council process and the City is supportive of our comments being conveyed through these forums.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further please contact the Manager Community Safety and Emergency Management on 9405 5253.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to comment.

Yours sincerely

Michelle Brennand

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