

ATTACHMENT 1 - SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

During the consultation phase, council undertook a range of activities to raise awareness within the community.

These activities included:

- Media Releases
- Website Information Pages "Have Your Say" for proposed changes
- Public Notice advertisements in the Sunshine Coast Daily
- Several print articles within the Sunshine Coast Daily during consultation period
- Messaging through Councils social media channels
- Local Paper print advertisements in Nambour Weekly, Caloundra Weekly, Buderim Chronicle, Coolum and North Shore News

Submissions:**Community consultation overview**

1. Consultation Period – 9 December 2016 – 21 January 2017
2. Submissions were invited from the public.
3. 33 submissions were received, the topics were:
 - Subordinate Local Law No 2 – Dog Off Leash Areas Petrie Park, Nambour (16 submissions)
 - Subordinate Local Law No 2 - Dog Off Leash Areas The Avenue Park, Peregian Springs (17 submissions)

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Council Ref	Submission	Officer Comments	Agree / Disagree	Recommendation
SUBORDINATE LOCAL LAW No 2 (ANIMAL MANAGEMENT) 2011				
PRESCRIBED ACTIVITY – DOG OFF LEASH AREAS				
Petrie Park, Nambour				
1	I would like a safe area for my dog & others to play/run & the road around the far end of Petrie Park is abused by speeding motorists, putting my pet & others including children/adults in certain danger, there has already been a canine fatality & other several near misses. I understand the area can't be permanently fenced because of flooding issues. The area close to the retaining wall at the other end of the park is far more suitable for an off-leash dog park.	Parks and Gardens comments - Council is aware of concerns raised for this area and is currently investigating and assessing future fencing/safety and traffic concerns.	Disagree	No proposed change to the local law amendment.
3	I think the two prior questions you have asked us are not appropriate. You ask us if we want an off leash area, but do not state that you are offering us an area with is not suitable for our dogs. So I would like it known that I do support an off leash area but one that is safe for our dogs to run around in and not next to the road or is enclosed. I have never seen a hockey match being played in the area which is away from the road. There are p platers and other vehicles driving far too fast along the service road around the park. If you refuse to give the dog owners the safe space further from the road, then at the very least you should install speed bumps and signage to indicate to motorists that it is a dog park. I travel from Flaxton to take my dog, which is a rescue from the RSPCA. So I'm doing my bit to regime a dog, which came with social and people issues. The off leash area Has proved to be a fantastic social environment for her to flourish with other dogs and has made her a better dog to be around and walk on a leash. The community who visit every afternoon helped me to be less stressed and nervous about my dog being off a leash assuring me that the dogs will sort themselves after a few growls. I now have a happier dog and after 12 months of walking on a leash, my dog is happiest when she's allowed to run free and socialise with other dogs, and owners, even if it's for 30 minutes a couple of times a week. I'm also hoping there will be a future off leash area in Palmwoods. The council don't make it easy to walk a dog off leash anywhere in the Hinterland. Seems ridiculous I have to get in a car and go down the Range all the way to Nambour just to let my dog run. I look forward to hearing back from you regarding what seems to be a very simple thing to implement. Not	Response Services Comments – Fencing requirements are currently being investigated. It is important for all animal owners to be aware that they are required to have dogs under effective management at all times when in a Leash Free Area Further investigations are underway in relation to mixed use dog off leash areas.	Disagree	

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	really sure why the change happened. Bit like the 60-80km speed change up here that has now been reversed. Please make some sensible decisions and respect responsible dog owners.			
4	Petrie Park. Lack of off leash area for dogs. Too dangerous for dogs. They see bush turkeys, water dragons and can run across the road. Lack of duty of care by council and councillors to accommodate dog's needs in the Nambour area.		Disagree	
5	There needs to be a Safer area created for the Dogs and their Owners. There have now been 2 Dogs killed or injured and 3 near misses. A Beagle was nearly killed on 11 January. I do not feel that the \$60,000 spent on creating the current Off leash area was well spent as the Dogs cannot be contained. Drivers are not adhering to the 40km per hour Speed limit. Furthermore, the Hockey field is rarely used. Whereas the Dog area is used at least Twice a day. The Council has not taken in to consideration that many of the People who use the Area are Rate payers and we also pay Dog Registration. Owners and constituents should be treated with the same Respect as the Hockey club. I was not impressed when Councillor Rogerson told me " I needed help". Because I placed as much importance on the Safety of Humans as I do Animals. For what your Council does not understand is many of your Constituents. Their Dogs and the other Dog owners are their only Social outlet. Some are Elderly and other do have Disabilities. Your Council use your Powers for good. It can only reflect positively on you. I run a Business and I work with my Husband and I have been a Nambour Resident for 10 years now. I have seen how the Park provides a Social space for the Community. Isn't that what Nambour is trying to do? Well it's happening right under your Nose. Get out of your Office and have a look.		Agree	
6	We need an area were dogs can be able run around in a safe environment and so can the hockey players		Agree	
7	Although I agree that the dog park should be separate I don't think the dog off leash area should be where it is. It is far too close to the road & dogs		Agree	

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	are forever getting too close to the road. I understand that fencing off that area is not a good idea due to the occasional flooding but perhaps the council could look at the area where the old skate park is near the swimming pool or change ends for the hockey field. I have only ever seen the hockey practiced once since the new fence was erected?			
8	The current dog off leash area is too close to the road and has no confinements or retainments as does the hockey ground. The hockey club house and the embankment on the southern side of the club house offer a somewhat concealment to the road .even though the speed limit through there is 40 km per hour, many cars speed through there. Perhaps some speed bumps? There are many people with their families including dogs that use the hockey field at various times of the day, it's a shame that the council hasn't the foresight to give to this community an enclosed, safe environment to those that pay their rates. There has already been one death since the new area has been stipulated, how much more blood on the Councillors hands do you actually want?		Disagree	
9	<i>No comments provided</i>		Disagree	
10	I have been a dog owner and used the old off leash area previously. Currently "dog less" but likely to get another. I was always concerned that the area was not fenced and would strongly urge council to securely fence all off leash areas. New area is right on the road and very dangerous for humans, dogs and car drivers. Dogs sometimes dash off if they spot turkeys or other dogs walking past.		Agree	
11	<i>No comments provided</i>		Agree	
15	<i>No comments provided</i>		Agree	
18	There are insufficient dog-off-leash areas in the community and this would be a wonderful asset for Nambour dog lovers.		Agree	
19	We work many varied hours and need access appropriately		Agree	

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33	<i>No comments provided</i>		Agree	
35	<p>I would like to clearly state that I am against changes to us (as dog lovers) moving from Petrie Park. We have been congregating at the central part of Petrie Park on a slight hill for the past 4 years. We have in excess of 140 members on our Facebook page.</p> <p>Since we have been relocated to the northern end of the park, we have had a dog hit and subsequently died. Our dogs are far too close to the road at this end of the park - it is dangerous for both the animal and potentially any one driving a car through this area. It is not practical for an off leash area and it is certainly not safe for our animals.</p> <p>Visibility for drivers is limited should a dog run out in front of them where the seating is at the moment. It is a safety risk to all concerned - drivers and dogs. Some of their dogs are very expensive.</p> <p>Some of our members are elderly and are limited in how far they can drive - Peregian Springs is not an option for them.</p> <p>To some of our members, their dogs are their lives - they suffer from depression and the social interaction at the park assists them dealing with their various issues.</p> <p>At the central area where we traditionally have sat for the past 4 years, we have had no dogs hit. The dogs are protected from the road. Owners can throw balls southwards to a large area away from cars or traffic as this area is protected by buildings and fencing.</p> <p>The central location where we have been sitting for the past 4 years is much safer for all concerned. The proposal of moving to The Avenue Park is not relevant as it is not in Nambour - it's Peregian</p>		Disagree	
36	<p>A new separated dog off-leash area was established during the latter months of 2016 which is still in place. This area is designated by bollards/fence across the park with water stations and covered & uncovered seating. There are two signs saying 'No Dogs on Hockey Field'.</p> <p>Two old dog-off-leash signs* pertaining to the entire park have been resurrected over the December /January holiday season which shows times as</p>		Disagree	

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	<p>'Monday to Friday'. *These two signs were removed when construction began of the bollards/fence; covered & uncovered seating area and dog water stations.</p> <p>I would support the entire park being designated as dogs off-leash area, except when there are Hockey functions, games or training activities. When the Hockey Field is utilised for these purposes then all dogs would be restricted to the smaller dog off-leash area east of the bollards/fence.</p> <p>I also support the proposed FENCED off-leash area outlined on the Petrie Creek Open Space Master Plan. Once this is complete the Hockey fields can then be restricted at all times.</p>			

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2	There should be more off-leash areas	Extensive site investigations and previous targeted community consultation was undertaken regarding The Avenue Park new dog off-leash park.	Agree	No proposed change to the local law amendment.
12	<i>No comment provided</i>		Agree	
13	<i>No comment provided</i>		Agree	
16	<i>No comment provided</i>		Agree	
20	Off leash areas are in short supply - currently the nearest off leash area is over 20 minutes' drive from our residence. We would utilise this area frequently.		Agree	
21	I love puppies!		Agree	
22	We have met many locals who have become friends. It is a good place to not only take your dog's down, but also have a chat and let the dogs socialise.		Agree	
23	The dog park is already being used by residents to great success and assists residents in having happy, well behaved, socialised dogs.		Agree	
24	Doggies need space to socialise with other dogs.		Agree	
25	The off leash park at The Avenue, Peregian Springs is used daily by many of the local residents. It is a great way for dogs to interact with each other in an enclosed space under the watchful eyes of their owners. This area has also brought many of the locals together, as they share a common fondness for dogs. We love this place and want it to stay.		Construction of the new dog off-leash park has been completed and this is the final stage to include this park within the local laws in Schedule 6 of Subordinate Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) 2011 by way of a visual map.	
26	The park is used daily by many dogs and owners. It is a safe environment for dogs to be social. I enjoy taking my two dogs there at least 3 times a week and they love the social interaction with other friendly dogs.	Agree		
27	<i>No comment provided</i>	Agree		
28	It is a great community outing for dogs and adults and children alike I use the park 2/3 times a day because it is safe for my dog and being new to Peregian Springs it has allowed me to meet many locals and become part of the community	Agree		

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29	The park is just perfect for socialising and exercising of the dogs in a safe enclosed area Excellent for people how are not fit enough to walk their dogs distances. Wonderful for meeting people and talking about dogs and getting know people in the community. The Avenue of Lead Dog Park is wonderful asset to this area		Agree	
30	Dog exercise, interaction, helps socialize dogs. Have taken my 2 dogs there every afternoon since opening and have watched it grow in popularity. Great for community spirit as I was new to the area when it opened and now have upwards of 30 new friends.		Agree	
31	This park is essential for the many locals that use it daily with their dogs as we have a Facebook page that shows how popular it is https://www.facebook.com/peregianspringsdogpark/ - dogs of all breeds and sizes playing and being happy friendly calm dogs and the many friendships that have been made between their human owners is so wonderful		Agree	
34	<i>No comments provided</i>		Agree	