

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

During the 1st consultation phase, council undertook a range of activities to raise awareness with the public and business community. These activities included:

- Radio and newspaper advertisements
- Messages on council's telephone system (messages on hold)
- Information on council's website and intranet site
- Notices on council's social networking applications
- Media Releases
- Direct mail campaign to current advertising permit holders
- Notice in Business E-News
- Posters at Libraries and Customer Contact Centres
- Fact and information sheets and publications

Submissions:

State interest checks

1. Consultation Period – 10 May 2013 to 31 May 2013
2. Submissions were invited from 17 State agencies as identified as relevant by the Department of Local Government, including:
 - Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs
 - Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services
 - Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
 - Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business, and the Commonwealth Games
 - Department of Science, Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts
 - Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
 - Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing
 - Queensland Health
 - Queensland Police
 - Department of Education, Training and Employment
 - Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning
 - Department of Natural Resources and Mines
 - Department of Transport and Main Roads
 - Department of Housing and Public Works
 - Department of Energy and Water Supply
 - Department of Justice and Attorney-General
 - Department of Local Government
3. Submissions/responses received by State agencies had no issues with the proposed changes

Public interest tests

1. Consultation Period – 1 May 2013 to 31 May 2013
2. Submissions were invited from the community
3. No submissions were received

Community consultation

1. Consultation Period – 1 May 2013 to 31 May 2013
2. Submissions were invited from the public and business community.
3. 12 Submissions/responses were received, the topics were :
 - Local Law 1 – Moveable Advertising Devices (2)
 - Local Law 2 and Subordinate Local Law 2 - Rooster, Pheasants & Peacocks (7)
 - Local Law 2 and Subordinate Local Law 2 – Dogs (3)

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS (COMMUNITY CONSULTATION)			
Ref	Submission	Officer Comments	Recommendation
LOCAL LAW No 1 (ADMINISTRATION) 2011			
PRESCRIBED ACTIVITIES			
Moveable Advertising Devices			
7	Agrees in principle with proposed changes however feels that the relaxing of the law may create a new set of challenges.	The comments relate to an area in Noosa. Proposed changes will not be applicable to the former Noosa Council local government area. Noosa will remain the same as previously until the new council makes any changes.	No amendment to proposed changes to local law.
8	The proposed changes seem entirely sensible and appropriate. Markets need less restrictive directional road signage.	Directional signage should be limited to activity not a business e.g. Markets, Shops, Business Centre etc.	
LOCAL LAW No 2 (ANIMAL MANAGEMENT) 2011			
Keeping of Animals - DOGS			
1	Issue with dog tags	Section 49 of the Animal Management Act requires council's to provide a registration device (tag). This issue does not relate to the proposed changes.	No amendment to proposed local laws.
2	Issue with fine amount for dog off leash in an area that is not classed as a dog off leash area	Fee needs to be large enough to discourage owners allowing dogs to stray. Fine is consistent with other councils and this issue does not relate to the proposed changes. This issue does not relate to the proposed changes.	
6	Barking Dogs – Need for more regard to the victims of barking, howling and growling dogs who have to tolerate considerable disturbance before perpetrators are penalised.	Proposed changes now allow council to manage nuisance barking.	
Keeping of Animals – ROOSTERS			
10	Pheasants should not be included with Roosters and Peafowl. Pheasants cannot be locked up in night boxes and are legally considered by QLD bird keeping regulations as Gazetted Aviary Birds (not poultry). Since local laws Australia wide have encroached upon the keeping of pheasants three species have become extinct. Pheasants are less vocal than chickens and they do not crow like roosters nor scream like peafowl. Species such as guineafowl and turkeys are in comparison extremely noisy and are not restricted.	Pheasants do not make the excessive noise in the same way a rooster or peacock does. Advice received by Community Response was to proceed with the recommendations outlined in the submission.	Recommend to remove pheasant and replace with Guinea Fowl.
3	Poultry should not be allowed to be kept on blocks smaller than ¼ acre. They can be heard no matter where on the property they are kept.	Conditions to keep poultry are already in place. The issue of noise nuisance may be dealt with under the new nuisance provision proposed in the changes.	No amendment to proposed local laws.
4	Objection to making the standards for keeping roosters, pheasants and peacocks less restrictive as they are very noisy birds.	The keeping of roosters is not the problem it is the noise or nuisance it can make. The issue of noise nuisance may be dealt with under the new nuisance provision. Sufficient laws exist in the proposed local laws to deal with distances from adjoining properties.	
5	Objection to any change as to the keeping of roosters within 100 metres of the nearest residence. The distance should not be reduced.	Sufficient laws exist in the proposed local law changes to deal with distances from adjoining properties.	
9	Objection to the loosening of the law in relation to the keeping of roosters, pheasants and peacocks. These animals should not be kept in close proximity to adjoining properties.	Sufficient laws exist in the proposed local law changes to deal with distances from adjoining properties.	
11	Agreement that fencing around poultry pens should be of a good standard. However, there is a difference between escaping cats and dogs as opposed to chickens that are outside of their pen. I fail to see what harm a chicken would do as they stay close to the pens. The restriction on land size should be 5 acres.	Changes to the local laws on keeping fowl are aimed at assisting those people breeding and show fowl being allowed to keep a rooster on less land than previous. The local law identifies the problems that can be caused by owners who are not considered to be responsible. The issues are around keeping fowl such as noise, smell and straying all matters that cause a nuisance. By addressing these issues the keeping of fowl can and should be enjoyed by many people in the community that don't allow their animals to be a nuisance.	
12	Having experienced neighbours that have keep roosters in contradiction to the current local law and Council not enforcing the current local law, the changes to require the owner to be a member of an association recognised by Feathers Clubs Association Queensland does nothing to manage the noise issue generated by keeping roosters. I fail to see the relevance of this being added to the local law.	The issue is about a nuisance caused by the keeping of a rooster, limiting the land size will not stop a nuisance from occurring. Responsible animal ownership relies on people doing the right thing. Council has powers to resolve nuisance matters when they occur.	

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

During the 2nd consultation phase, council undertook a range of activities to raise awareness with the public and business community with regards to the regulation of election signs. These activities included:

- Information on council's website and intranet site
- Notices on council's social networking applications
- Media Releases

Submissions:

State interest checks

1. Consultation Period – 21 June 2013 to 28 2013
2. Submissions were invited from 17 State agencies as identified as relevant by the Department of Local Government, including:
 - Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs
 - Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services
 - Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
 - Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business, and the Commonwealth Games
 - Department of Science, Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts
 - Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
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 - Department of Energy and Water Supply
 - Department of Justice and Attorney-General
 - Department of Local Government
3. Submissions/responses received by State agencies had no issues with the proposed changes

Public interest tests

1. No public interest tests were conducted

Community consultation

1. Consultation Period – 21 June 2013 to 28 June 2013
2. Submissions were invited from the public and business community.
3. No submissions were received from the community on the proposed changes

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS (COMMUNITY CONSULTATION)

Ref	Submission	Officer Comments	Recommendation
LOCAL LAW No 1 (ADMINISTRATION) 2011			
PRESCRIBED ACTIVITIES			
Display of election signs			
1.	No submissions received		No amendment to proposed changes to local law.

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