

AGENDA

Meeting No.	5
Meeting	Regional animal management technical committee
Date	28 July 2020
Time	10:00am -11:30am
Venue	GOTO MEETING

- 1. Attendance:** Sara Roberts DSC, Shellina McKellar TRC, Tudor Tanase TRC, Tina Martin CRC, Anne-Marie Plasto CRC, Robert D'Adonna MSC, Gavin Hammond CCRC, Gillian Mansfield CCRC, Travis Sydes FNQROC,
- 2. Guests:**
- 3. Apologies:** Mark Kerswell QPS,
- 4. Acceptance of minutes:** moved: Shellina McKellar, seconded: Sara Roberts
- 5. Introduction and welcome**
- 6. Business arising from previous meeting**

No.	ACTION	OWNER	STATUS
4.1	Road hazard/wandering stock MOU 1. Split the current draft into two separate MOU's, one for road hazard (including wandering stock); and one for QPS -LG compliance communication and information sharing. 2. Include DTMR in the roadway hazard MOU. 3. Circulate re-drafted agreements to AMTC for comment. 4. Liaise with DTMR to arrange a consultation regarding the draft recommendations of the road hazard MOU	1. FNQROC 2. FNQROC 3. FNQROC 4. FNQROC/QPS	1. Complete 2. Complete 3. Complete 4. pending
4.2	Dog Off leash areas 1. DSC share community consultation/engagement/survey approaches used with CCRC (AMTC).	1. DSC, CCRC	1. ?
4.3	Penalty units AMTC member to provide YASC with background information on applying penalty units under local laws.	AMTC	1. ?
	Regional biosecurity compliance workshop and training forum 2020 Circulate final agenda to AMTC	FNQROC	Postponed

4.4	Animal Management & Natural Assets report card 1. Circulate the report attributes and indicators to LGs by end of May. 2. FNQROC and Q Health meet to frame up AMW program report card.	1. FNQROC 2. FNQROC/ Q Health	1. Complete 2. postponed
	Animal Management Technical Committee – business case AMTC make recommendation to the FNQROC Board for continuation of the AMTC as a technical committee. The committee would like to continue quarterly meetings with short teleconferences as required.	FNQROC	Complete
4.5	Regional Resource Sharing MOU Consider joint operations or project ideas for 2020 and develop EOI for next meeting.	AMTC – individual councils	Ongoing

7. Updates from councils and agencies on operations, programs (COVID 19)

DSC – business continuity plan in place with coordination staff working from home, technical teams on the ground.

- After initial lull, increase in customer requests, dog attacks and incidents. Dangerous dog declarations and nuisance complaints.
- Assisting QPS with Mossman Gorge Lockdown (personnel for gate).
- Assisting EHO in COVID related compliance activities.
- Strategy and policy work essentially on hold due to additional workloads but are investigating mandatory de-sexing for dogs and cats; and an indigenous identified position in the local laws team

MSC – working from home and business continuity plan in place.

- Increase in dog attacks and barking complaints during lockdown.
- Assisting EHO in COVID 19 compliance activities.
- New pound facility underway, due for completion in March/April 2021

TRC – business continuity plan in place with local laws team on split shift teams.

- Increase in dog attacks, barking complaints and wandering stock incidents.
- Planning for new pound facility underway. Building expected to be complete June 2021.
- Significant dog attack QCAT case underway, anticipate resolution in September 2020.
- Will compile a procedural guideline based on the learning from the investigation and legal process.
- 6 months registration free in response to COVID 19.

Action: TRC provide overview of local law procedural and legal processes as case study to next meeting of the AMTC (is resolved in that timeframe).

CRC – business continuity plan in place; teams continued operations.

- Spike in dog attacks, incidents, and barking complaints.
- West Cairns Project (in collaboration with Dept. Housing) underway. Statistics from year one is showing the program tracking well. Social media components have demonstrated significant reach and engagement.
- COVID 19 has seen many training providers move to web-based training; which is increasing access for the region to training tools and packages (a benefit of the lockdown). Currently working with some providers to tailor Australian content.
- Detailed design underway for new pound facility; building will begin in 2021.
- Increase in cat numbers and intercepts.

Action: Circulate information on training packages as they become available.

CCRC- Local laws team operating under continuity plan

- Similar experience to other councils regarding increases in incidents, requests.
- New registrations have increased, will not be offering relief on dog registration in response to COVID 19.
- Local laws review on hold

General discussion

POUND FACILITIES

- Design considerations and processes for pound facilities underway.
- Review and consultation with architect before and during construction very useful.
- General expectations from community have changed considerably since most of the regions pound facilities were constructed 30+ years ago.
- Several of the facilities underway will include workspace for staff and public service area in addition to animal handling and impoundment functions.
- There are no standards or design specifications for facilities in QLD.

Action: Share details on designers, architects, fit out and final finish.

BODY CAMERAS

- Discussion regarding systems in use, experiences, pros/cons.
- CRC has protocol/processes in place for use.
- MSC and CRC are using AXON camera system which uploads to cloud server. Has paid for itself in terms of evidence, staff safety and moderating customer behaviour.
- mWave another option which CCRC is investigating.

Action: share links and information regarding body camera systems and processes in use.

8. Natural assets and animal management report cards

Report cards are underway. Outline of statistics required has been circulated.

Action: Get numbers to Travis asap

9. Ehrlichia canis (E. canis) in dogs- Surveillance program in place after detection in WA and NT and identified risk pathways for further introduction to Australia from PNG.

Action: circulate links from BQ with minutes.

10. Business arising – please inform of any additional agenda items

11. Points for noting to the FNQROC Board

12. Next meeting – Mid October; agenda will include showcase of West Cairns Project with Dept. Housing as guest

Action: CRC and FNQROC to organise a two-part agenda to showcase the West Cairns Project; followed by a workshop to investigate partnership and collaboration between LGs and Dept.

13. Action arising:

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5.1	QCAT process; case study TRC provide overview of local law procedural and legal processes as case study to next meeting of the AMTC (is resolved in that timeframe).	TRC
5.2	Online and remote learning/training opportunities Circulate information on training packages as they become available.	CRC, all
5.3	Pound facility design and fit out Share details on designers, architects, fit out and final finish.	All
5.4	Body camera systems and providers share links and information regarding body camera systems and processes in use.	All
5.5	Ehrlichia canis (E. canis) in dogs circulate links from BQ with minutes.	FNQROC, complete
5.6	Next meeting CRC and FNQROC to organise a two-part agenda to showcase the West Cairns Project; followed by a workshop to investigate partnership and collaboration between LGs and Dept.	CRC, FNQROC