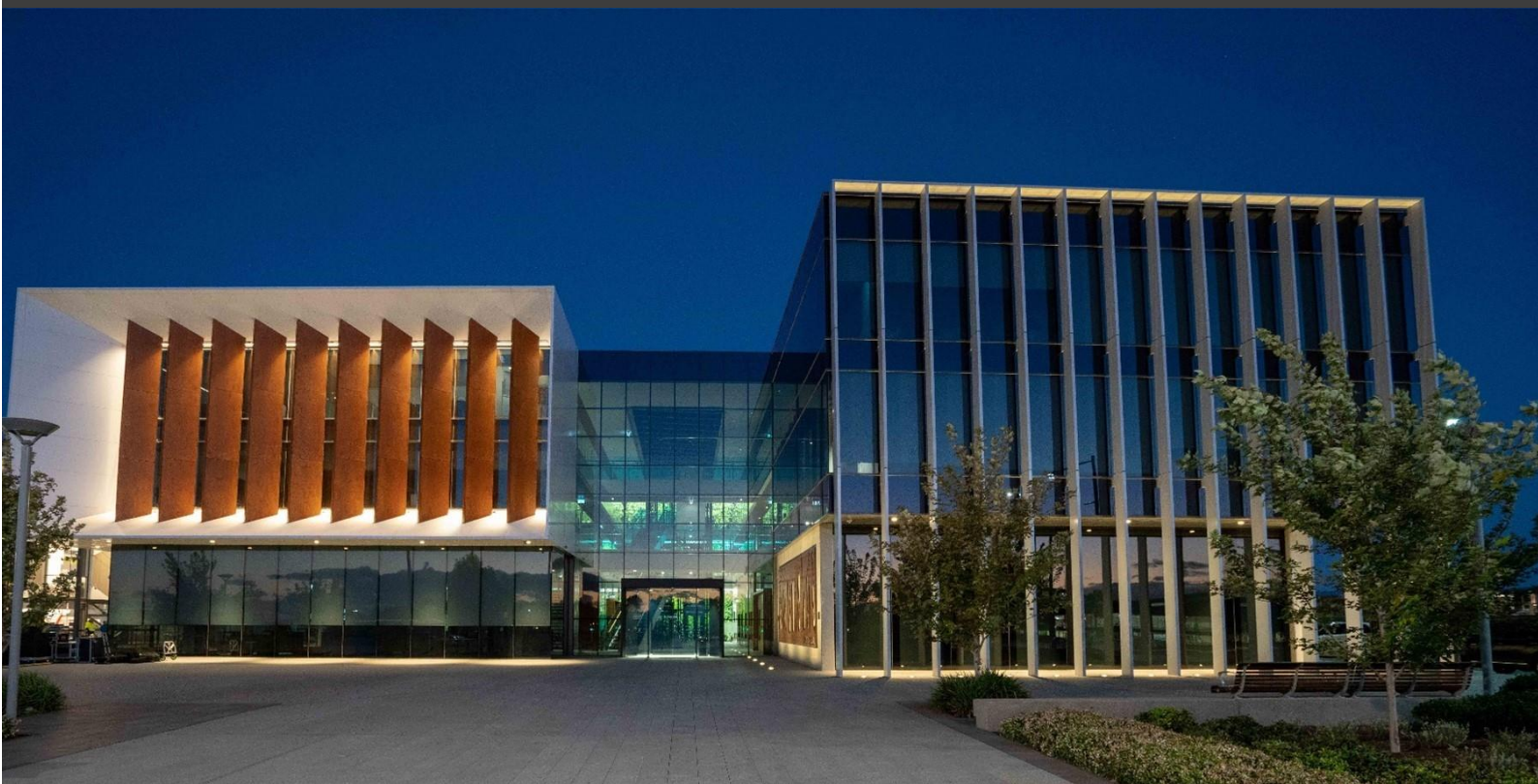


Minutes

Companion Animals Advisory Committee
Meeting
Camden Council
Administration Centre
70 Central Avenue, Oran Park

13 February 2024



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MEETING COMMENCED:

11:40am.

PRESENT:

Councillor Campbell (Chairperson), Dr Simone Maher, Dr Derek Keeper, Ms Joanne Lawrence, Ms Sharon Richards, Ms Colleen Richards, Ms Kate Kabrovski and Ms Cherie Davis.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Manager Environment and Regulatory Services, Team Leader Ranger Services, Companion Animals Ranger, and Governance Officer – Panel & Committees.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor Campbell gave an Acknowledgement of Country.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest noted.

APOLOGIES AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Moved by Dr Derek Keeper, seconded by Dr Simone Maher.

The following apologies were noted:

- Councillor Symkowiak.
- Kerrie Elias.
- Dr Steven Ferguson.

CAAC01 Confirmation Of Minutes - 14 November 2023**RESOLVED**

Moved by Ms Cherie Davis, seconded by Ms Kate Kabrovski.

That the Companion Animals Advisory Committee confirm and adopt the Minutes of the Companion Animals Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 November 2023, copies of which are attached and have been circulated.

CAAC02 Items Submitted By Committee Members**RESOLVED**

Moved by Ms Kate Kabrovski, seconded by Ms Cherie Davis.

That the information in this report is noted and any information requested be provided at the meeting or investigated with an update to follow in due course.

Action Items:

- Ms Kate Kabrovski to provide contact details to Council Staff regarding person who had been refused vouchers who is currently dealing with a colony of cats.
- Manager Environment and Regulatory Services to review customer service scripts to ensure accuracy around voucher limitations.
- Team Leader Ranger Services to determine whether Camden can get involved with the RSCPA Program.
- Council Staff to investigate opportunities to hold information nights or webinars that cover financial aspects of pet ownership.

CAAC03 Camden Animal Shelter Update**RESOLVED**

Moved by Ms Sharon Richards, seconded by Ms Kate Kabrovski.

That the Companion Animals Advisory Committee note the contents of the update.

Action Items:

- A meeting to be held in April 2024 to allow for the Committee to provide feedback prior to the Councillor Briefing. At the April 2024 meeting, the Committee to determine whether they would like to meet again in May 2024 per the adopted Forward Meeting Plan, or have this meeting replace the regular schedule.
- The Plans to be provided at the rescheduled meeting.

CAAC04 Cat Management Plan**RESOLVED**

Moved by Ms Kate Kabrovski, seconded by Ms Cherie Davis.

That the Companion Animals Advisory Committee note the contents of the update.

Action Items:

- Manager Environment and Regulatory Services to investigate internet links which are currently displaying the old voucher forms.
- The Committee take two weeks to review the contents of the Plan and provide feedback to Manager Environment and Regulatory Services prior to the Councillor Briefing in March.

CAAC05 Operational Update**RESOLVED**

Moved by Dr Derek Keeper, seconded by Ms Sharon Richards.


That the Companion Animals Advisory Committee note the information provided.


Action Items:

- Manager Environment and Regulatory Services to review Volunteer Policy and speak to relevant Council Staff to determine whether members of the Committee could attend events on a volunteer basis with or in lieu of Council Staff.
- Council Staff to investigate if suitable dogs that are available for adoption could be at events like Boots and Beats to reach the demographic of people who would be interested in those types of dogs.
- The Committee confirmed they are happy for Paws in the Park to be changed to 10am to 2pm.
- Committee Members to send ideas for Paws in the Park to Council Staff to pass on to the Events Team.

MEETING CLOSED AT 12:53pm.

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