



# Media Release

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## Free cat microchipping for May

Camden residents can have their cats microchipped for free during May, as part of Council's new companion animal program.

The Permanent Identification Program (PIP) is a Council initiative to improve the capacity for Council rangers to return pets to their home when they are found.

Currently, 10 per cent of cats found by Council rangers are microchipped as compared to 71 per cent of dogs.

"Council wants to make it as easy as possible for residents to be responsible pet owners and enjoy the health and wellbeing benefits of maintaining a companion animal," said Mayor Lara Symkowiak.

"It is the intention of Council to have all dogs and cats returned to their home as soon as possible and maintain our 'no kill' policy for any animal that can be homed," Cr Symkowiak said.

The free cat microchipping program is available to residents in the Camden Council area and will be done by a Council Ranger in the owner's home.

For more information or to make a booking, contact Camden's Companion Animal Ranger on 4654 7777.

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