

## PURPOSE

This policy sets out Council's position in respect to:

- the authorisation of the use of animals for entertainment purposes on or in Council property; and
- the circumstances under which Council will permit the use of inflatable jumping castles and other similar 'land-borne inflatable devices' on Council property.

## SCOPE

This policy applies to all property and facilities owned or operated by Council.

## STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

### Making Lives Better

Objective 1.1 Know our communities and what they value

Strategy 1.1.1 Guide decision making through continued community engagement based on our community plan

### Leading Our Community

Objective 4.1 Govern in the best interests of our community

Strategy 4.1.1 Manage Council for maximum efficiency, accountability and transparency

Strategy 4.1.3 Maximise regulatory compliance in Council and the community through our systems and processes

Objective 4.2 Prioritise our resources to achieve our community's goals

Strategy 4.2.1 Deploy the Council's resources effectively to deliver value

## RELATED DOCUMENTS

Glenorchy City Council Event Management Policy

## STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Acts	<i>Animal Welfare Act 1993</i>
Regulations	<i>Animal Welfare (Dogs) Regulations 2016</i>
Australian/International Standards	<i>Australian Animal Welfare Standards and Guidelines for Exhibited Animals</i>

By-Laws	<i>Animal Management By-Law 2014</i>
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## DEFINITIONS

**Authorised Person** means the General Manager, or a person authorised by the General Manager to make decisions in accordance with this policy.

**Council Property** means any land owned or administered by Council.

**Device** means unless expressly stated otherwise, the use of the term 'device' refers to a land-borne inflatable device.

**Exotic Animal** means, but is not limited to:

- i) An animal that does not occur naturally in the wild in Australia,
- ii) An animal that does occur naturally in the wild in Australia which is rare or unusual or which is generally thought of as a wild species and not typically kept as a pet, and
- iii) Does not include an animal that is typically as a pet (such as a cat, dog or rabbit) or a farm animal.

**Farm Animal** has the meaning given in the Glenorchy City Council Animal Management By-Law No.1 of 2014.

**General Manager** means the General Manager of Council, or delegate.

**Land-borne inflatable device** means either of the following, as defined in the Standard:

- (a) An inflatable structure or device (continuously blown), or
- (b) An inflatable structure or device (sealed).

For ease of reference, the definitions in the standards are as follows:

Inflatable structure or device (continuously blown)

A structure or device relying on a continuous supply of air pressure to maintain its shape, on which patrons may play.

Inflatable structure or device (sealed)

A structure or device on which patrons may play that is inflated by means of air supply and having achieved the design pressure, is sealed with a bung or stopper and does not require continuous inflation.

**The Standard** means AS 3533.4.1-2005 (Amusement rides and devices), Part 4.1- Specific requirements – Land-borne inflatable devices and any amending, replacement or additional Standard, code, law, rule, or requirement that may apply from time to time.

## POLICY STATEMENT

### Use of Animals for Entertainment on Council Property

#### Background

Council occasionally receives requests for events to be held on or in Council property that involve the use of animals. It is desirable that Council takes a consistent position and approach to its response to such requests, and that that position is primarily concerned with the welfare of animals over any other factors.

#### Policy Statement

1. Council opposes the use of animals for any form of entertainment where there is any risk or likelihood of harm, suffering or mistreatment to the animals caused.
2. The use of exotic (non-domesticated) animals for entertainment on or in Council property will not be permitted.
3. The use of domesticated animals for entertainment on or in Council property may be considered where such use can be demonstrated to be in conformity with relevant State or Federal Government legislation/and or standards referenced under Statutory Requirements above and does not contravene clause 1 of this policy statement.

### Use of Jumping Castles and Similar Equipment on Council Property

#### Background

4. In line with community expectations and Council's responsibility to govern responsibly and in the best interests of the community, Council must take active steps to minimise the risk of injury to the public and to Council's exposure to claims for liability caused by land-borne inflatable devices.

#### Policy Statement

5. Land-borne inflatable devices are **not** permitted to be operated on Council property.

## DOCUMENT CONTROL

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