



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## BY-LAW 7 DOGS REVIEW

### What are the changes to By-law 7 Dogs and what do they mean for me?

The main changes to the proposed by-law that will affect dog owners are listed below:

- A dog is not to be kept on a property where council reasonably considers there is no secure or appropriate area where the dog can be kept.
- Dogs to be on-leash in any park or reserve as indicated by signage when organised sport is being played at the park or reserve.
- Dogs to be on-leash in a Hooded Plover dog on-leash zone on the foreshore, local government land or any other public place that is within one hundred (100) metres of any sign that includes the words 'hooded plover' or indicates hooded plovers are or may be present in the area.
- Dogs are prohibited in a Hooded Plover dog prohibited zone which includes any portion of the foreshore, local government land or any other public place that has been enclosed with a temporary fence, bunting or other barrier by an authorised person. The prohibited area will be identified by a sign that includes the words 'hooded plover breeding site' placed on or near the fence, bunting or other barrier.
- Dogs (except assistance dogs) are not allowed to enter or remain on a jetty.  
This rule relates to the Port Noarlunga jetty that is under our care and control.  
Dogs are prohibited on the jetty because of the large number of anglers regularly fishing on the jetty and the hazard a dog can cause by being present in that area.

- The term 'public place' refers to places where the public has access. The term is relevant for on leash and dog prohibited areas and now includes coastal waters that extend 50m from the low water mark which is normally the council boundary.

The proposed By-law 7 Dogs can be viewed [here](#).

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### What is the purpose of By-law 7 Dogs in the council's area?

The purpose of By-law 7 Dogs is to manage dogs in the council area, reduce the incidence of environmental nuisance caused by dogs, to promote responsible dog ownership and to protect the convenience, comfort and safety of members of the public.

The by-law gives council the power to decide where dogs must be kept on leash, can be exercised off leash on the foreshore and where dogs are prohibited within the council area.

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### How can I have my say about the proposed By-law 7 Dogs?

Complete the Your Say [online submission form](#).

Written feedback relating to proposed By-law 7 Dogs can also be posted to – Community Safety, City of Onkaparinga, PO Box 1, Noarlunga Centre SA 5168 or via email to [mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au](mailto:mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

**Please note, consultation closes at 5pm on 26 May 2022.**

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### When will the new By-law 7 Dogs come into operation?

The renewed By-law 7 Dogs will commence on 1 January 2023.

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## Where can I find further information?

Visit the website at [www.onkaparingacity.com/yoursay](http://www.onkaparingacity.com/yoursay) or contact Amanda Locker, Project Officer – Community Safety and Property, 8384 0666 [mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au](mailto:mail@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

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## What happens to my feedback?

A copy of all feedback is included in a report that is presented at a Council meeting for elected members to consider once the consultation period ends.

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## I would like changes made to the other by-laws, when will they be reviewed?

*Under the Local Government Act 1999*, the council's other by-laws listed below are due to expire on 1 January 2024:

- By-law 1 Permits and Penalties
- By-law 2 Moveable Signs
- By-law 3 Roads
- By-law 4 Local Government Land
- By-law 6 Foreshore

These by-laws will be reviewed and community engagement will be invited in 2023.

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