

7.6 Smart Street Reserve Dog Off Lead Timeshare

Executive Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present a summary of the findings from the trial conducted at Smart Street Reserve, permitting dog owners to exercise their dog off-lead based on a time-share arrangement from 6:00pm to 7.30am, seven days a week. The report provides a summary of the findings from the trial and assesses multiple other considerations relevant to the shared use of Smart Street Reserve by stakeholders.

Background

Smart Street Reserve, Hawthorn is a medium-sized, local reserve consisting of an area of open green space with walking paths and a large children's playground (**Attachment 1**).

The reserve is in a densely populated residential area with multiple stakeholders possessing a shared boundary fence including residential properties (made up of single dwellings and a multistorey residential building), the West Hawthorn Pre-school and the West Hawthorn Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten. The reserve is well utilised for unstructured recreational use including the pre-school and early childhood centres and residents. It was not designated under Council's Order No.1 Control of Dogs (Order) for dog off-lead use.

In 2018, a petition was received by Council requesting Smart Street Reserve be made available for dog off-lead use. In response, a detailed assessment of the suitability of the reserve for off-lead use was undertaken that included extensive community consultation.

At the 25 March 2019 Council meeting, the findings of the Site Suitability Assessment were presented - Smart Street Reserve Report (**Attachment 2**). Officers recommended the proposal from the 2018 petition not be supported as Smart Street Reserve was considered unsuitable for dog off-lead use and that the open space should remain available for the safe use and enjoyment of the multiple users of the reserve, noting that the area was already well serviced by four neighbouring dog off-lead facilities. Council resolved that the Order be amended to designate Smart Street Reserve for off-lead use between the hours of 6.00pm and 7.30am the following day, seven days a week and this arrangement be trialled for a 12-month period.

Once the "timeshare" trial commenced, officers undertook regular patrols to observe and monitor behaviours and compliance, educated dog owners of their obligations, and enforced, as required. In consideration of the overarching principle of shared use, the data collected was analysed to assess user compliance, impact on personal as well as dog safety, impact on infrastructure and amenity, any emerging limitations to accessing this open space and other potential health impacts. The assessment indicated an initial impact on the amenity of the area relating to the reported increase of dog faeces in the open grassed area and the children's playground by customers and the Open Spaces and Park Maintenance teams. Other environmental, safety and amenity impacts were reported to be minor and manageable.

No issues were reported impacting the safe use of the reserve by the two neighbouring children's services with residents and visitors, including families and their children, having continued to utilise the reserve unaffected by the presence of off-lead dogs during the permitted off-lead hours. Smart Street Reserve benefits from not having competing interests from a sporting club and regular access from multiple children's services.

Data collected during the trial did not show or indicate any adverse or negative effects associated with the timeshare arrangement. All Council departments have reconfirmed their previous advice regarding the use of Smart Street Reserve for off-lead use on a timeshare basis and there are no significant barriers to it continuing.

Key Issues

- Concerns were raised by respondents during the community consultation regarding the potential risk to vulnerable users of the reserve and in particular, young children from the neighbouring childcare and child educational facilities, other children who live locally and, elderly visitors.
- Potential impacts on amenity of the reserve and concerns relating to excess dog faeces in the open grassed area as well as the nearby children's playground and the potential creation of an ongoing nuisance for residents by barking dogs.
- Compliance of dog walkers in controlling their dogs while off-lead and picking up after them.

Key themes considered in the report are:

1. Safety
2. Impact on amenity
3. Compliance with the Order and dog owners maintaining control of their dogs
4. Impact to the environment and asset maintenance.

Next Steps

Council considers and decides on the Officer's recommendation to maintain the designation of Smart Street Reserve for dog off-lead use on a timeshare basis of 6.00pm and 7.30am, seven days a week. No change is required with the Order as an expiry date was not set when Smart Street Reserve was included in the Order at the beginning of the trial.

Officers' recommendation

That Council resolve to maintain the designation of Smart Street Reserve for dog off-lead use on a timeshare basis (dog off lead 6pm to 7:30am daily) as currently detailed in the Dog Control Order.

Responsible director: **Scott Walker, Director Urban Living**

1. Purpose

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2. Policy implications and relevance to community plan and council plan

There are multiple Council strategies and plans, a Local Law and Council Order which are relevant for consideration in this matter. The key documents include:

Boroondara Community Plan 2021-2031

Addresses the management of all reserves regarding their use, specifically:

Theme 2: Parks and Green Spaces and the Strategic objective - Green and open spaces are provided, well-utilised and enhanced.

Boroondara Open Space Strategy 2013 - 2026

The Strategy aims to increase and improve public amenities and facilities in open spaces to enhance functionality for a wider range of uses.

The Strategy acknowledges the use of Smart Street Reserve as one of the many facilities where its use needs to be carefully considered due to Hawthorn forecast to experience one of the greatest changes in residential population growth due to higher density developments. Smart Street Reserve is classified as a medium 'local' open space, meaning its main function is to serve the surrounding residential areas. A conservation management plan is proposed.

Council Order No.1 Dog Control

Dog off-lead reserves are designated by Council Order No.1 Dog Control made under Section 26 of the *Domestic Animals Act 1994*. The Order allows for dog owners to exercise their dog either on or off-lead however, this must be in accordance with prescribed obligations including the ability to maintain effective control of a dog by either voice, hand or lead.

Amenity Local Law 2019 and the *Victorian Domestic Animals Act 1994*

Additional enforceable obligations of dog owners are prescribed in each document including dog owners having to clean their dog's faeces and controlling their dog's behaviour toward other dogs or people.

City of Boroondara Domestic Animal Management Plan 2021-2025

Details Council's strategic approach to the delivery of domestic animal management services including education and enhancement of responsible pet ownership across the municipality.

3. Background

Smart Street Reserve is located in a densely populated pocket of Hawthorn in an area bound by Smart, Church, Brook and College Streets with residential properties adjoining the northern, western and part of the eastern boundaries in addition to the West Hawthorn Pre-school and the West Hawthorn Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten (**see Figure 1**).

Smart Street Reserve is a medium size local reserve of 10,390 m² consisting of some 3,0325 m² of open green space with the remaining area made up of walking paths, multiple areas serviced by park benches to sit and relax and a linear corridor through to Church Street in which a children's playground is located (**Attachment 1**).



Figure1 Smart Street Reserve, Hawthorn

The reserve is well utilised by multiple stakeholders for unstructured recreational use including local residents and the neighbouring pre-school and early childhood centres which operate from 7.30am - 6pm on weekdays.

The reserve was not designated under the Order for dog off-lead use.

In 2018 a petition was submitted to Council from dog owners local to Smart Street Reserve proposing it be designated for off-lead use. The community was consulted in October 2018 with 268 submissions received and a further 115 submissions via an interactive voice response telephone survey. The results indicated an even division of support for and support against, the designation of the reserve for off-lead use.

Further, a detailed assessment of the reserve for its suitability for off-lead use was undertaken. The Site Suitability Assessment - Smart Street Reserve Report considered multiple criteria including existing conditions and infrastructure, location and amenity, sensitive interfaces and risk to safety (**Attachment 2**).

The findings recommended Smart Street Reserve unsuitable for off-lead use. It was noted however, some of the limitations detailed in this report could be partially mitigated by confining off-lead use to restricted time periods or adopting a timeshare approach.

At the 25 March 2019 Council meeting, these results were presented and a recommendation made to not designate Smart Street Reserve for dog off-lead use. It was resolved by Council however, Smart Street Reserve be designated a dog off-lead facility between 6pm and 7.30am the following day, 7 days a week, for a twelve-month trial period. Further, that officers would monitor Smart Street Reserve over the trial period and in consideration of the findings and their review, the suitability of the reserve for future use as a designated dog off-lead reserve be assessed and provide a further report to Council.

The trial commenced in 2019 and whilst the trial was to formally end in 2020 the timeshare dog off lead arrangement has continued without any significant concerns being raised. During the formal trial period officers closely monitored and recorded the behaviours and compliance of visitors to the reserve.

3.1 Stakeholders

Multiple stakeholders share the facilities at Smart Street Reserve including local residents many of whom are families with young children, the elderly and some who also own a dog, carers dropping off and picking up their children from the pre-school and day care centre and, by these organisations as part of a program of 'excursions' by the children to the reserve.

3.2 Site Suitability

The Site Suitability Assessment - Smart Street Reserve Report considered the following key criteria:

1. Location and amenity (space, natural shade, sensitive flora/fauna, parking, accessibility, visual surveillance and vicinity to medium/high density development)
2. Existing infrastructure (water, public toilet, shade and seating)
3. Sensitive interface (from residential noise buffer, from schools, from play areas, from paths, from roads and from community facilities).

The report highlighted the following potential opportunities and limitations to Smart Street Reserve becoming an off-lead facility:

Limitations

- Insufficient space to enable concurrent use with the potential introduction of dog off-lead use.
- Potential disturbance to the amenity of the area including nuisance to residential properties by barking dogs due to lack of adequate buffer zone, potential increased faecal matter, and additional parking demand.
- Concerns in relation to safety, due to the proximity of the pre-school, day care centre and the children's playground.
- Increased maintenance to prevent surface degradation due to increased dog activity within the grassed area.
- Compliance by dog owners with timeshare off-lead arrangements and picking up after their dog.

Opportunities

- Existing grassed area is suited to dog gathering.
- Well serviced amenities (paths, seating and drinking fountains).
- Native and exotic trees afford good natural shade and some visual buffer to surrounding residences.

While the Site Suitability Assessment - Smart Street Reserve Report recommended Smart Street Reserve was unsuitable for off-lead use it did however, inform the potential consideration of an option for a timeshare arrangement.

3.3 Trial results

3.3.1 Patrols

Officers conducted regular patrols of Smart Street Reserve during the trial at varying times throughout the day within, and outside the permitted timeshare off-lead hours and, on both weekdays and weekends.

A total of 156 patrols were conducted by 13 officers across 89 days during the trial. The observations and behaviour by visitors to the reserve and in particular, by dog owners was recorded (**Attachment 3**). Officers prioritised any customer complaints relating to the trial and the reserve.

Approximately 61 hours of officer observation time was recorded consisting of 49.7 hours outside of the timeshare period and 11.5 hours during the timeshare hours (6pm - 7.30am). See *Figure 2*.

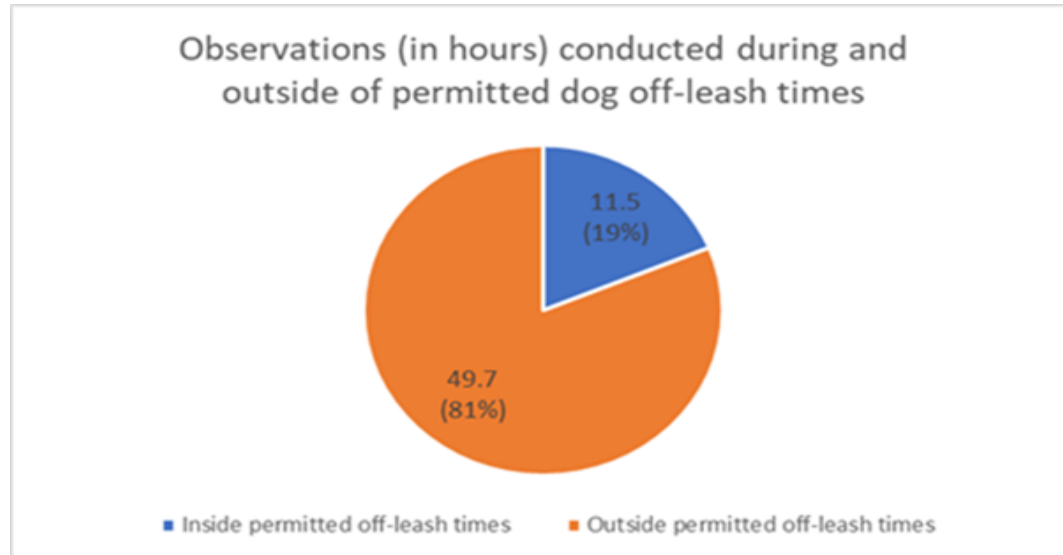


Figure 2: Proportion of observations made during permitted dog 'off-leash' times versus 'on-leash' times

An average of 11.25 observations were made each month on different days during the 12-month trial. See *Figure 3*

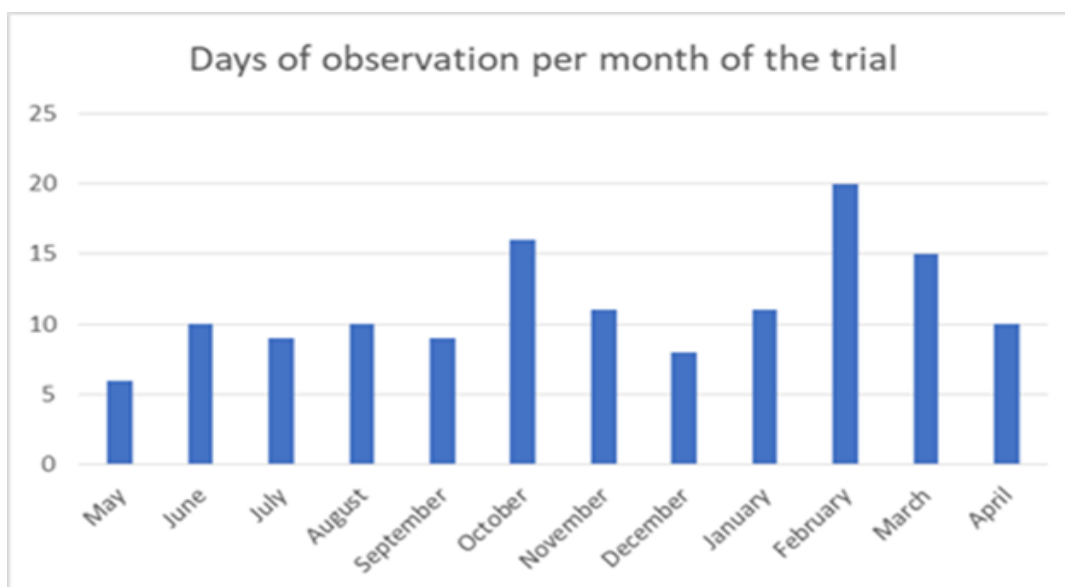


Figure 3: Days of observation recorded for each month of the trial from 2019/20

3.3.2 Compliance

3.3.2.1 Off-lead vs On-lead

During the trial period, the behaviour of 274 dogs at the reserve were observed and recorded. Of these, 194 or 70.8% were observed to be on-lead and 80 or 29.2% were off-lead.

Of the 80 dogs observed to be off-lead, only 18 dogs were off lead outside the permitted time (including three who were observed off-lead leading up to the transition period from on-lead to off-lead). The remaining 62 dogs were off-lead during permitted times see *Figure 4*.

Observations indicate a high level of compliance with the timeshare arrangements.

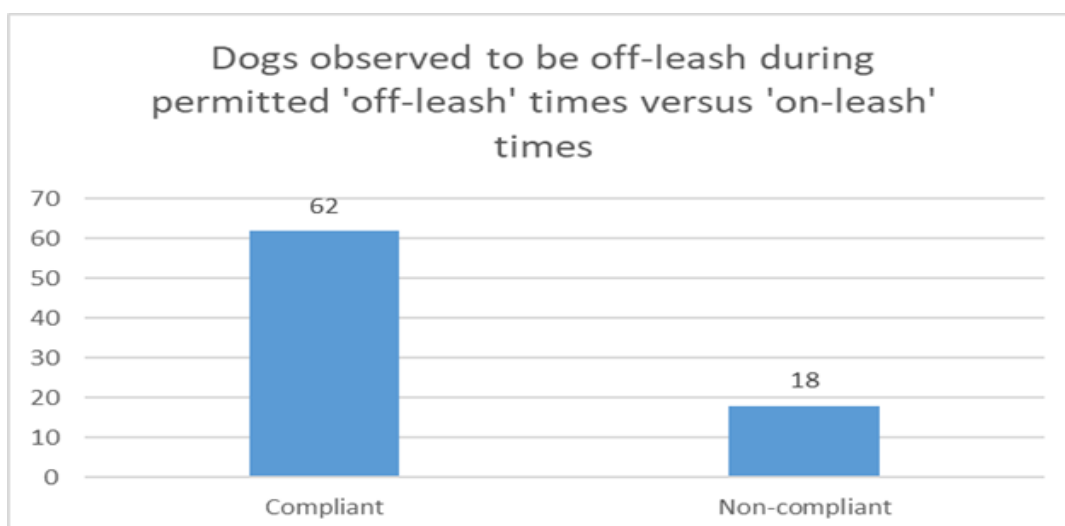


Figure 4: Dogs observed to be 'off-leash' during permitted off-lead versus on-lead times

The majority (80%) of observations made by officers were made on weekdays and the remaining 20%, on a weekend day see *Figure 5*.

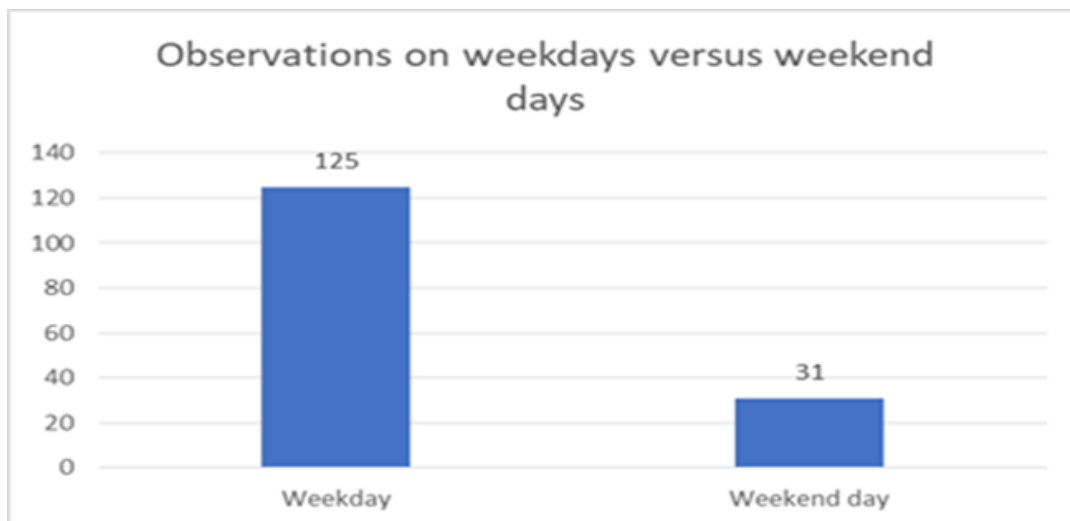


Figure 5: Number of observations conducted on weekdays versus weekend days

3.3.2.2 Dog Faeces

There were 49 observations recorded in relation to either the presence or absence, of dog faeces. These observations indicated an absence of dog faeces. There are two references made in the observation data to dog owners picking up after their dogs.

3.3.2.3 Complaints

During the trial period, 3 complaints were received from previous contributors to the community consultation restating their lack of support for Smart Street Reserve being designated for dog off-lead use. Their complaints focused on concerns regarding dog faeces and potential non-compliance by dog owners with the requirements of the timeshare arrangement.

A further nine complaints were received during the trial relating to potential non-compliance at the reserve including dogs off-lead at time other than the scheduled time or dog faeces.

4. Outline of key issues/options

Multiple considerations have been made in assessing the suitability of the time share arrangements at Smart Street Reserve.

1. Safety

The safety of vulnerable visitors to Smart Street Reserve was a key focus for officers and the community. The safety of children in particular was a primary concern raised by many respondents to the community consultation, irrespective of whether there was a timeshare arrangement. The primary reason for concern given was the proximity of an unfenced children's playground, the preschool, and a childcare centre. It was reported the area was utilised by the children from these facilities in addition to local families with young children.

In acknowledging these concerns and to limit potential interaction with children, it was recommended the off-lead hours be restricted to provide a buffer either side of the operating hours of the day-care program.

Council resolved to establish the timeshare hours between 6pm and 7.30am. There were no competing interests from sporting clubs using the reserve during the evening as Smart Street Reserve is not a sporting and recreation reserve.

The trial was conducted in accordance with this arrangement and has continued since its completion. Internal consultation with the Health and Wellbeing Services indicated no issues or concerns having since been raised or reported in relation to the dog off-lead use of Smart Street Reserve. The preschool and day care centre continue to utilise the reserve unhindered during the day when dogs are not permitted to be off-lead. Children and their families continue to recreate in the reserve unaffected by the presence of dogs off-lead in the permitted off-lead hours.

2. Impact on amenity

An increase in dog faeces was noted having been left on the grassed area and in the 'soft fall' in the children's playground at the commencement of the trial. This was resolved following officer engagement with dog owners during their patrols reminding them of their obligation to pick up after their dog. It has been confirmed that no significant issues continue in this regard.

Ongoing issues regarding access to limited parking surrounding Smart Street Reserve persist. While concerns were raised that this newly introduced use of Smart Street Reserve could further impact this limited resource, it is considered greater impact is likely to arise from the increasing use of the Church Street Activity Centre and from the neighbouring building sites. The trial and ongoing use on a timeshare basis, is not considered to have impacted access to parking as most users are local to the area and likely to walk to the facility.

Data from Council's customer complaints record management system indicated there were no (barking dog) nuisance complaints resulting from the trial.

3. Compliance with the Order and dog owners maintaining control of their dogs

Assessment of the data from the trial suggests few compliance issues observed by officers. It is acknowledged and as was observed, there is a potential for some complacency with timeshare arrangements in the lead up to transition times. This is an exception rather than the regular behaviour shown by most dog owners.

A current review of customer complaint data indicates since the end of the formal trial period, only two complaints have been received regarding off-lead dogs or dog faeces. One further report was made by an officer regarding unregistered off-lead dogs during a routine patrol of the reserve.

Recent site visits suggest increased complacency with compliance by dog owners with the time share arrangements. On one instance some 8 dogs were noted off-lead during a 30-minute visit to the reserve. Some dog owners advised a lack of knowledge of the timing of the timeshare arrangements, others simply ignored this advice and continued to leave their dog off-lead.

This matter has been raised with the Animal Management Team with additional patrols being scheduled. This level of non compliance is not unusual in a dog on lead reserve and is not directly attributable to the timeshare arrangement.

4. Impact to the environment and asset maintenance

Smart Street Reserve is in proximity to an existing wildlife corridor and concerns were raised during community consultation of the potential impact off-lead dogs could have on the local wildlife and flora. The limiting of dog off-lead times to 6pm and 7.30am was found to be a mitigating factor in minimising this potential impact.

No issues or complaints were noted from the patrol data or raised by the Environmental Sustainability and Open Spaces team, which impacted the local wildlife and flora. This advice was reconfirmed.

Further, no issues or need for additional maintenance was reported by the Parks Team, which was also reconfirmed.

5. Consultation/communication

Consultation with internal stakeholders was undertaken and reconfirmed when drafting the findings in this report including:

- Environmental Sustainability and Open Spaces
- Heath, Projects and Prosecutions
- Health and Wellbeing Services
- Field Services

6. Financial and resource implications

There are no financial or resource implications arising from this report if Councillors support the continuation of the timeshare arrangement at Smart Street Reserve.

7. Governance issues

The implications of this report have been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.

The officers responsible for this report have no direct or indirect interests requiring disclosure.

8. Social and environmental issues

This report considers a range of social and environmental issues including:

- impact on the childcare and teaching facilities
- impact on dog owners and their dogs

- impact on the broader community (individuals or groups) accessing the park
- impact on local wildlife and flora.

9. Evaluation and review

At the conclusion of the formal trial period an assessment was compiled detailing the findings. Due to resourcing issues, other priorities and the impacts of COVID lockdowns, a report was not progressed at the time. It is noted that the trial arrangement has continued with no reportable concerns from Council's Animal Management Team or other Council Departments.

The findings of this action confirm there are no significant ongoing concerns with maintaining the current timeshare arrangements.

10. Conclusion

Smart Street Reserve is a local reserve located in a densely populated area of Hawthorn, which is well utilised by multiple stakeholders. These stakeholders consist of the local community, many with young children in addition to many young, vulnerable members of our community who attend the adjacent West Hawthorn Pre-school and the West Hawthorn Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten.

A opportunity has been provided by Council to increase the shared use of this reserve and allow for a trial where the reserve has been available to dog owners for off-lead use on a timeshare basis. During the trial close observations and a review of stakeholder use, education, and compliance monitoring was undertaken.

The results of the trial of a timeshare arrangement indicate its success and suitability for dog off-lead use on a timeshare basis and it is therefore considered that the current arrangements should continue.

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Attachment 1

Location of Smart Street Reserve, access points



- *Blue Square - West Hawthorn Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten.*
- *Red Square - West Hawthorn Pre-school*
- *Purple flags - Playgrounds*
- *Red arrows - access points to the reserve*

Children's playground located at Smart Street Reserve between the West Hawthorn Pre-school and the West Hawthorn Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten. View West towards Church Street Hawthorn. Distance between the playground and the neighbouring fence is less than 10m and as such dogs are not permitted to be off-lead in accordance with the Order.



Children's playground. Viewed South towards the open area of the facility



Due to the location of the playground and the absence of an adequate set of a minimum of 10 meters, the existing sign located on Church Street will be relocated to beyond the playground to the area beyond this distance and just above where the reserve becomes open space (as shown by the start below)



Attachment 2



Smart Street Reserve

Dog Off-Leash Status - Site Suitability Assessment August 2018

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1. Background

In July 2018, Council became aware of a petition signed by approximately 350 community members in support of making Smart Street Reserve in Hawthorn a dog-off-leash reserve before 8am and after 5pm each day.

As a result Council's Environment and Sustainable Living department has been asked to undertake an assessment of the reserve to determine its suitability to be converted from its current dog on-leash status to a dog-off leash status reserve under the Council Order No 1.

This report provides a summary of the findings of this assessment.

2. Methodology

In March 2018, council officers developed a set of site assessment criteria to assess existing dog off-leash reserves to determine their relative suitability for the development of dedicated dog parks in Boroondara. This assessment was informed by a dog behaviorist, council officers, councillors and specialist land use consultants, Hansen Partnership. The resultant decision making matrix included specific criteria and metrics related to three key categories including:

- Location and amenity
- Existing infrastructure
- Sensitive interfaces

While it is understood that the purpose of this investigation is different from the purpose of the original assessment (ie whole park assessment versus dedicated space assessment), much of the original criteria remains relevant, and has been adapted to create a new decision making matrix for this assessment.

In August 2018, officers undertook a desktop assessment of SSR against the new assessment matrix, followed by a detailed site inspection to confirm preliminary findings. Internal discussions with other department representatives, including Local Laws, Parks and Gardens and Strategic Planning were also used to help inform the assessment process, along with consideration of relevant existing conditions, surrounding land uses and related strategic issues/policies.

3. Location

SSR consists of approximately area of 10390m² of Council owned land located between Smart Street and Church Street in Hawthorn.

For the purpose of this assessment, it is assumed that if the park is converted to a dog off-leash reserve, dog owners and their pets will naturally congregate in the grassed clearing at the Smart Street end of the reserve, which is encircled by a gravel footpath and mature trees. This open space area is approximately 4500m².

Refer Figure 1 for site map.



Figure 1 Site Map.

4. Existing Conditions

SSR consists of a heavily treed linear open space with an open grassed clearing at the eastern (Smart Street) end of the park. It includes a number of mature trees, garden beds and a unique playground, with meandering gravel pathways connecting all sides of the reserve.

The reserve is surrounded by low to medium density residential housing development. The north-east side of the park filters past a playground, pre-school and child-care facility, through to a commercial strip shopping center along Church Street.

The site is a well utilized space for unstructured recreational use, particularly related to the open grassed area and playground. Anecdotal evidence suggests the grassed area is currently used for dog walking (both on and off-leash), despite its current designation as a dog on-leash reserve. The grassed area also attracts use for other unstructured recreational activities such as running, gathering, informal ball sports and associated activities. Further investigation would be required to fully understand the existing use patterns of the reserve.

It also forms a linear pedestrian and cyclist connection to the Church Street shops, and the TravelSmart website shows walking tracks connecting with informal bicycle routes in the area.

See photos - below.



1 Entrance walkway beside pre-school



2 On-street parking



3 Open railing fencing around pre-school



4 Park entry adjacent to pre-school



5 Open space grassed area from pre-school



6 Open grassed area



7 Shady trees on the park perimeter



8 Adjoining residences



9 Playground centrally located next to pre-school and park entries



10 Early learning centre behind playground

5. Strategic Context

5.1. Zoning

The reserve is designated Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ) and is subject to a Heritage Overlay (HO220). A small section of the reserve is also subject to a Special Building Overlay (SBO).

5.2. Boroondara Opens Space Strategy 2013

The Boroondara Open Space Strategy 2013 (BOSS) classifies the reserve as a 'neighbourhood' open space, meaning that its main function is to serve the surrounding neighbourhood residential areas, generally within a 500 metre radius of the open space. This generally includes facilities and features that appeal to the neighbourhood population including a range of unstructured recreation and informal facilities.

The BOSS identifies population growth in the Church Street Neighbourhood Activity Centre as a driver of additional demand on facilities in this reserve.

Therefore, it is important to retain easy access by visitors to the park, and to improve the diversity of facilities and overall landscape character of the reserve to adequately cater for the forecast increased population and level of use.

5.3. Dog on/off leash local law

The Order relating to designated reserves where dogs are permitted on and off-leash in Council parks was made on 12 March 1996 following a lengthy and challenging public consultation process. The Council Order in Council No 1 (the Order) designates all parks across the municipality as either dog on-leash or dog off-leash. The Order has since been the subject of amendments in 2005, 2012 and most recently in 2017.

In developing the Order officers took a balanced approach in determining the location of dog on and off-leash areas and attempted to provide a broad geographical spread across the municipality. There is currently 4,356,921 square metres of open space reserves/parks across Boroondara, of which 'off-leash' areas represent 53% while 'on-leash' areas represent 47%.

6. Site Suitability Assessment

A set of pre-defined criteria were used to assess SSR to determine its suitability to be changed from dog-on-leash to a dog-off-leash reserve.

While it is assumed that if converted to dog off-leash status, dogs and their owners will largely congregate in the open grassed area, in practical terms under the Order, dogs will be legally allowed off-leash within the entire reserve (excluding those locations that are subject to other local law restrictions (ie playgrounds and paths). Nevertheless, for the purpose of this assessment, the open grassed area of the reserve was the location used to determine offsets from any features referred to in the criteria (ie offsets from residential housing, pedestrian paths and roads etc).

The information gathered from the desktop assessment was evaluated against the weighted matrix, where each criteria was given a score from 0-3 (0=does not satisfy; 3=fully satisfies). This enable officers to establish a quantitative evaluation of the site, where a perfect score of 10 indicates a high level of suitability for dog off-leash status, down to a lowest score of 0 indicating the least level of suitability.

Refer to **Attachment 1** for the full assessment matrix, including weighting and officers numeric scores for each criteria.

A brief description of each criteria along with officer's notes about how the site performed against the nominated criteria is included below.

CRITERIA	DEFINITION	NOTES
LOCATION AND AMENITY		
SIZE/SPACE	Larger area allows for more activity and prevents dogs from feeling anxious in tighter spaces which may lead to aggression. Larger parks also reduce wear and tear on surfaces and discourage inattentive owner behaviour. A minimum land area of 2,500m ² is available for use as a dedicated dog park site.	Fully satisfies: There is approximately 4,500m ² of grassed open space in the centre of the reserve.
NATURAL SHADE	Tree canopy within proposed area	Partially satisfies: Limited shade within open area itself, but good mix of native and exotic trees ringing the reserve, providing good natural shade and some visual buffer to surrounding residences.
SENSITIVE FLORA/FAUNA	Avoid locations where dogs will have an impact on native flora and fauna.	Substantially satisfies: Some native flora exists - generally mature and robust. Limited fauna - mostly birds.
LANDSCAPE HERITAGE CHARACTER &	Does not detract from the valued attributes of the space (heritage, formal gardens, character).	Substantially satisfies: The reserve is subject to a Heritage Overlay, but its visual character does not reflect a heritage condition.
TOPOGRAPHY	Relatively flat ground	Fully satisfies: Gently sloping topography.
PARKING	Car parking available	Partially satisfies: Limited availability of 2 hr parking spaces within close proximity.
ACCESSIBILITY	100m or less to parking area	Fully satisfies: Good access to limited parking on Smart and College Streets (ie within 100m).
ACCESSIBILITY	50m or less to footpath/walking trail	Fully satisfies Good path network through and within the site.
VISUAL SURVEILLANCE	Within a location with good visual surveillance capability.	Partially satisfies There is limited passive

		surveillance from the North and South East and West. Properties front the Reserve on the Southern and Eastern edges with the road reserve in between.
VICINITY TO MED/HIGH DENSITY RES	Medium/High density development does not support sufficient outdoor spaces for dogs, and thus a greater need for a dog park in these areas.	Substantially satisfies: There are single and double fronted properties in the neighbourhood.
Existing Infrastructure		
Water	Provision of water at site	Fully satisfies: A drink fountain exists in the southern part of the site.
Electricity Supply	Provision of electricity at site (power pole or other)	Fully satisfies There are path lights on western path running north and south.
PUBLIC TOILET	Existing public toilet facilities.	Does not satisfy: There are no public toilets within the reserve. The nearest public toilet is located at St James Park.
Shade	Nearby shelter	Does not satisfy There is no shelter.
SEATING	Nearby seating	Partially satisfies There are 6 seats located around the grass open space area
Sensitive Interface		
FROM RESIDENTIAL (Noise buffer)	Greater than 50m	Does not satisfy: Residential properties exist within 50m on three edges of reserve.
FROM SCHOOLS (including Preschool, Early Childhood Centre and Kindergarten)	Greater than 50m	Does not satisfy: Preschool located within 50m. Also potential impact on children walking through the park during peak preschool, early child-hood and kindergarten pick up and drop off times.

FROM PLAY AREAS (and other facilities such as outdoor exercise equipment)	Greater than 50m	Does not satisfy: Existing playground is located within 50m. Potential management challenge.
From Paths	Greater than 25m	Does not satisfy: There is limited distance between the existing perimeter paths and the useable grass open space (ie less than 25m) which may present a management challenge.
FROM ROADS	Greater than 5m	Fully satisfies: The existing trees, public buildings and residential property fence lines provide a good offset to roadways.
FROM COMMUNITY FACILITIES	Greater than 50m	Fully satisfies There are no community facilities other than the preschool, early childhood and kindergarten.

7. Discussion

The proposal to convert SSR to a dog off-leash reserve presents a number of different opportunities and constraints that are not readily identifiable under its current on-leash designation. Some of the more notable/relevant opportunities and constraints are summarized below.

OPPORTUNITIES

- The existing grassed area is well suited to dog gathering.
- Likely to result in increased use of site by dog owners.
- Well serviced with existing amenities including paths, seating and drinking fountains.
- Native and exotic trees ringing the reserve afford good natural shade and some visual buffer to surrounding residences.
- Good path network through and within the site affords additional opportunities for dog walkers.

CONSTRAINTS

- While the open grassed area is large enough to cater for dog off-leash activities, there is not enough space to enable concurrent use of this area for other uses. This will likely result in reducing the use of the open grassed area for unstructured recreational activities (ie walking, informal sport and leisure activities) during dog off-leash designated times.
- The proximity of the open grassed area to the playground and perimeter walking paths presents a significant safety risk. While dog owners are required to maintain effective voice control over their

pets at all times, in addition to off-leash activity within 10m of any playground. However, in reality it will be very difficult to ensure dogs do not venture into the playground or onto the nearby paths, which may present a significant safety risk, particularly for children.

- The location of the pre-school and early childhood centre are significant attractors to the area and generate significant use of the park by young children. There are potential comfort and safety impacts on toddlers and children using the park if dogs are allowed to roam off-leash. This will be exacerbated by children walking through the park during peak pre-school, early childhood and kindergarten pick up and drop off times.
- Concentration of dog activities within open grassed area will likely require irrigation and increased maintenance to avoid surface degeneration.
- Potential comfort and safety impacts with open fencing abutting the pre-school/early learning centre and park interface and likely need to convert to enclosed fencing.
- Potential safety concerns associated with increased faeces and presence of young children.
- Potential for increased amenity disturbance (barking nuisance) to occupants of adjoining residential properties due to lack of adequate buffer zone (ie less than 50m to surrounding residences and pre-school facilities).
- Potential for increased amenity disturbance to nearby residents as a result of additional parking demand.
- Potential comfort and safety impacts on users of the nearby playground.
- TravelSmart map shows walking tracks connecting with informal bike routes - potential conflict for unfenced site.

On balance, the constraints appear to outweigh the opportunities resulting from the proposed conversion of the reserve from on-leash to off-leash status. While some of these constraints could be partially mitigated by limiting off-leash activities to restricted times, other constraints cannot be effectively mitigated.

8. Recommendation

Based on an assessment against the defined criteria, the resultant score is five out of ten.

Coupled with the high use of the reserve by young children, the close proximity of the walking paths and playground to the dog gathering space, and the impact dog off-leash activity will have on the concurrent use of the open grassed area, conversion of the park to dog off-leash is not supported.

Therefore SSR is not considered suitable for dog-off-leash designation.

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Smart Street Reserve Timeshare Trial (6pm to 7.30am) Officer Observations

Table 1: Summary of observations made by officers during timeshare trial

#	Officer	Date	Day of week	Inside/ outside timeshare hours	AM/ PM	Time from	Time until	Total minutes	Activity
1	178	11.5.2019	Sat	Outside	AM	8:30	9:10	40	Observed 1 x breach. Warning issued.
2	256	12.5.2019	Sun	Outside	PM	14:35	14:48	13	One dog off-leash - complied immediately upon request.
3	190	14.5.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	17:00	17:30	30	Low activity, 3 dogs on leash
4	190	17.5.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	17:00	17:45	45	1 x dog off leash at 5.15pm and 2 x children with the dog. I advised the park is on leash. He put his dog on leash. 4 x dogs on leash. Area clean. No issues.
5	190	26.5.2019	Sun	Outside	PM	14:25	15:03	38	Complaint. Low activity. 1 x dog on leash and 1 x dog off-leash. Advised owner it is an on leash park. Handed carry bag and brochures to owner. Area clean. No issues.
6	256	28.5.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	14:00	14:15	15	2 x adults in the park. No dogs. NOD.
7	265	7.6.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	12:38	13:10	32	Dogs on and off-leash signage entrance. Sign - dog off leash area between 6pm - 7.30am. Dogs must be kept on leash all other times (signage audit)
8	107	15.6.2019	Sat	Outside	AM	10:52	11:39	47	All animal owners behaving. Wet rainy conditions.
9	178	17.6.2019	Mon	Inside	PM	18:15	18:48	33	Observed no breaches of the Amenity Local Law.
10	178	18.6.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	18:15	18:39	24	Observed no breaches of the Amenity Local Law.
11	178	19.6.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	18:45	19:10	25	Observed no breaches.

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12		20.6.2019	Thur	Inside	PM	18:55	19:15	20	Observed no breaches of the Amenity Local Law.
13	250	25.6.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	18:49	18:52	3	Area very quiet. All clear.
14	250	26.6.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	19:45	19:47	2	Area very quiet. Observed male and dog on leash. All clear.
15	250	27.6.2019	Thur	Inside	PM	20:10	20:14	4	Area very quiet. Refer to photos.
16	250	28.6.2019	Fri	Inside	PM	19:44	19:47	3	Area very quiet and clear.
17	200	1.7.2019	Mon	Inside	PM	18:00	18:30	30	Very cold weather. Sighted only one dog and its owner. No faces sighted. Very low activity. Playground clear. NOD.
18	107	2.7.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	18:50	19:21	31	No animals in the Park. Poor visibility. Unable to detect faeces.
19	200	3.7.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	18:10	18:35	25	Cold. No dog or faeces sighted. Low activity. Two walkers sighted. NOD.
20	200	5.7.2019	Fri	Inside	PM	18:10	18:30	20	Low activity. No dog sighted. 2 x walkers sighted. No faeces sighted. NOD.
21	250	7.7.2019	Sun	Outside	AM	11:48	11:59	11	Attended location. Observed areas. Photos taken. No dogs in playground area. All quiet and low key. 1 x dog off-leash (French bulldog).
22	190	9.7.2019	Tues	Outside	AM	10:28	11:04	36	Complaint. Low activity. Overcast and cold. Only 1 x dog sighted which was off-leash and details taken. Area clean. No litter. Signage audit of playground - 4 signs surrounding area.
23	141	9.7.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	18:30	18:44	14	Very dark. Observed no offence.
24	21	10.7.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	14:28	14:45	17	No off leash dogs
25	141	10.7.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	18:10	18:19	9	Very dark, observed no activity.
26	178	17.7.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	17:55	18:14	19	Attended complaint, observed 3 x dogs off-leash. I approached one owner of a dog and advised that I was pleased she was picking up after her dog.

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27	97	24.7.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	13:05	13:45	30	1 x male and 1 x female with pram in park. One small dog. One female and two small dogs. All dogs on leash. Young female with dog on leash. One male walking laps around park.
28	190	1.8.2019	Thur	Outside	AM	8:50	9:10	20	Complaint. Low activity. 1 x dog on leash. Cold. Overcast.
29	21	12.8.2019	Mon	Outside	PM	14:25	14:35	10	One user with dog on lead.
30	21	13.8.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	12:46	12:48	2	All illegal signs removed. NOD.
31	21	16.8.2019	Fri	Outside	AM	11:15	11:30	15	No dogs in the reserve.
32	21	19.8.2019	Mon	Outside	AM-PM	11:54	12:05	9	No offence.
33	97	19.8.2019	Mon	Outside	PM	16:15	16:46	31	1 x female with dog on leash. Cold and wet. No-one seen.
34	21	21.8.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	13:45	13:45	0	No dogs in park.
35	97	21.8.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	14:18	14:38	20	No-one seen in park. Very quiet.
36	21	23.8.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	12:05	12:15	10	One dog sighted exiting the park off-leash. Unable to apprehend.
37	21	23.8.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	12:25	12:35	10	No dogs in the reserve.
38	21	26.8.2019	Mon	Outside	PM	12:00	12:10	10	No dogs in the reserve.
39	200	26.8.2019	Mon	Outside	PM	16:50	17:20	30	Weather fine. Sighted 8 x dogs, 2 off-leash. 3 x cautions given for dog off-leash and dog in playground.
40	200	28.8.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	18:30	18:40	10	Wet conditions. No dog or persons sighted. Checked the playground. No-one sighted.
41	200	30.8.2019	Fri	Inside	PM	18:15	18:45	30	Sighted 3 x dogs off-leash. Playground empty. 4 x walkers sighted. Weather fine. NOD.
42	21	3.9.2019	Tues	Outside	AM	11:00	11:10	10	Park patrolled.
43	21	6.9.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	12:05	12:10	5	No dogs in the reserve.
44	21	10.9.2019	Tues	Outside	AM	10:51	10:51	0	No park users.

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45	21	11.9.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	12:06	12:15	9	2 x dogs both walked on lead.
46	21	17.9.2019	Tues	Outside	AM	10:45	10:55	10	Park patrolled.
47	21	19.9.2019	Thur	Outside	AM	11:11	11:30	19	Patrolled.
48	190	20.9.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	14:50	15:24	34	Warm day (26 degrees Celsius). Medium activity with kindergarten kids on playground. 2 x dogs on leash. Area clean. NOD.
49	200	23.9.2019	Mon	Outside	PM	17:00	17:35	35	Weather cold and overcast. Low activity. 2 x dogs sighted on leash. 5 x walkers crossing the park sighted. No faeces sighted. NOD.
50	200	25.9.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	17:20	17:48	28	Fine weather. Sighted 11 dogs on leash. One dog off-leash. Female owner walked away. No faeces sighted.
51	190	1.10.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	14:20	14:51	31	Weather sunny (20). Low activity. No dogs sighted. Area clean.
52	21	2.10.2019	Wed	Outside	AM	10:18	10:18	0	All clear.
53	190	2.10.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	16:30	16:34	4	Complaint. Weather warm (26). Medium activity. Kids playing on oval.
54	21	4.10.2019	Fri	Outside	AM	10:20	10:30	10	2 x walkers in the reserve with the dogs on lead.
55	21	7.10.2019	Mon	Outside	AM	10:28	10:38	10	Patrolled. No users in the reserve.
56	190	10.10.2019	Thur	Outside	PM	14:03	14:34	31	Complaint. Weather overcast. 14 degrees Celsius. Area clean. Handed carry bags to 2 x dog walkers with dogs on leash. Low activity.
57	190	12.10.2019	Sat	Outside	PM	13:10	13:28	18	2 x dogs on leash. Parent/kids at playground area. Medium activity. Area clean. Weather cloudy and 19.
58	190	13.10.2019	Sun	Outside	AM	9:30	9:57	27	Weather sunny and 16. Medium activity. Spoke with 2 x walkers who had their dogs off-leash. Handed them brochure for off-leash area. Area clean.

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59	256	15.10.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	19:15	19:30	15	Patrol conducted. One person with dog on leash. 1 x walker both passing through park. No faeces observed. NOD.
60	166	18.10.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	14:03	14:34	31	At 2.04pm, two females walking their dogs on lead on South side. A male walking no dog on North side.
61	166	19.10.2019	Sat	Outside	AM-PM	11:40	12:27	47	At 11.40am, a male and female walking their dog on lead on the West side of walking track. At 12.04pm, a female walking with her dog on leash. At 12.12pm, a male and female walking no dog. NOD.
62	178	20.10.2019	Sun	Outside	AM-PM	11:50	12:17	27	Attended patrol. Observed no breaches.
63	21	21.10.2019	Mon	Outside	AM	11:33	11:40	7	Park patrolled.
64	107	22.10.2019	Tues	Inside	PM	19:32	20:20	48	All pet owners behaving in accordance with park conditions.
65	21	23.10.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	11:45	12:00	15	Park empty.
66	107	23.10.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	19:17	20:12	55	All pet owners behaving in accordance with park conditions.
67	21	24.10.2019	Thur	Outside	PM	12:30	12:45	15	Patrolled NOD.
68	190	31.10.2019	Thur	Outside	PM	13:00	13:30	30	Sunny and 30. No dogs. Area clean. All good.
69	178	1.11.2019	Fri	Outside	AM	10:10	10:42	32	Observed no breaches.
70	200	3.11.2019	Sun	Outside	PM	15:30	15:50	20	Rainy and overcast. Low activity. 2 x kids in the playground. Sighted 4 x dogs being walked on leash. Sighted one dog poo. NOD.
71	21	4.11.2019	Mon	Outside	AM	10:30	10:40	10	One dog on leash.
72	21	6.11.2019	Wed	Outside	AM	10:03	10:03	0	One park user with her dog on lead.
73	178	6.11.2019	Wed	Inside	PM	19:15	19:35	20	Attended, observed no breaches in regards to dogs.
74	166	7.11.2019	Thur	Outside	AM	11:12	11:42	30	Park patrols.

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75	178	7.11.2019	Thur	Inside	PM	18:54	19:02	8	Attended, observed no breaches in regards to dogs.
76	190	18.11.2019	Mon	Outside	AM	9:10	9:32	22	Complaint. Weather - 11 degrees Celsius. 4 x dogs on leash. Area clean. No issues.
77	200	18.11.2019	Mon	Inside	PM	19:10	19:35	25	Fine weather. Medium activity. Sighted 6 dogs under control. Playground clear. No faeces sighted. NOD.
78	200	21.11.2019	Thur	Inside	PM	19:40	20:00	20	Fine weather. Medium activity. Sighted 6 dogs. No faeces. Took photos of branches that had fallen down and reported to Parks and Gardens. NOD.
79	97	23.11.2019	Sat	Outside	PM	12:50	13:12	22	A few walkers walking around, no dog seen. Very quiet.
80	97	24.11.2019	Sun	Outside	PM	11:45	12:15	30	One person walking dog. Another person just walking in the park walking a dog. Family. Two lots of groups on the ground with blankets - picnic.
81	190	27.11.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	17:25	17:47	22	Weather 25 and sunny. 4 x dogs on leash. Area clean. No issues.
82	200	29.11.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	14:25	14:40	15	Attended in response to complaint, alleged offender not sighted. NOD. Low activity.
83	200	1.12.2019	Fri	Outside	PM	10:00	10:00	0	Fine weather. Medium activity. Sighted 5 dogs. 1 caution given for dog off leash. No faeces sighted.
84	124	5.12.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	13:32	13:59	27	Patrolled NOD.
85	166	14.12.2019	Thur	Outside	PM	14:24	14:40	16	NOD, no people with dog.
86	178	15.12.2019	Fri	Outside	AM	10:55	11:23	28	Attended, observed no breaches.
87	124	23.12.2019	Tues	Outside	PM	17:35	17:57	22	Patrolled NOD.
88	124	24.12.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	16:24	16:46	32	Patrolled. 1 x male spoken to - I saw his dog jump out of his vehicle before he

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									could put the leash on it. He was aware of on leash rule and times.
89	124	27.12.2019	Sat	Outside	PM	12:34	13:02	28	Completed, NOD.
90	124	31.12.2019	Wed	Outside	PM	12:54	13:27	33	Patrolled, NOD.
91	190	5.1.2020	Sun	Outside	PM	15:50	16:00	10	Overcast. 3 x dogs on leash. Area clean.
92	200	6.1.2020	Mon	Inside	PM	18:30	18:45	15	Fine weather. High activity. Sighted 14 dogs off leash. 2 on leash. All under control. No faeces sighted. NOD.
93	166	11.1.2020	Sat	Outside	PM	14:53	15:45	52	Kids playing, no dogs.
94	178	12.1.2020	Sun	Outside	AM	8:55	9:30	35	Attended, observed low activity.
95	200	13.1.2020	Mon	Outside	PM	17:50	18:00	10	Warm weather. Medium activity. No faeces sighted NOD.
	200	13.1.2020	Mon	Inside	PM	18:00	18:31	31	Warm weather. Medium activity. Sighted 7 dogs off leash under control. No faeces sighted NOD.
96	249	16.1.2020	Thur	Inside	PM	18:31	18:40	9	Patrolling.
97	190 and 200	21.1.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	17:08	18:00	52	Sunny and 24. With officer 200. Noted details of dog off leash. 1 x warning for dog off leash. Medium activity. Area clean.
98	190 and 200	23.1.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	17:50	18:00	10	Sunny and 18. Officer 190 sighted 2 x dogs on leash. Officer 200 sighted 1 x dog on leash. Low activity. Area clean.
99	200	25.1.2020	Sat	Outside	AM	9:07	9:45	38	Sunny day. Medium activity. Sighted 6 dogs. No faeces sighted. All dogs under control. NOD.
100	200	26.1.2020	Sun	Outside	AM	9:54	10:30	34	Fine weather. Sighted 6 x dogs on leash. No faeces. 3 x children in playground. NOD.
101	124	29.1.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	14:39	14:53	14	Patrolled, 2 dogs sighted on leash. No faeces sighted.
102	101	30.1.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	16:01	16:25	24	No notes.

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103	256	4.2.2020	Tues	Inside	PM	19:00	19:06	6	Several people in reserve. Two dogs off leash. No offences noted. No faeces on ground.
104	256	6.2.2020	Thur	Inside	PM	19:50	20:15	25	Five persons in park walking. Three people playing cricket. Four dogs off leash. Nil incidents. One pile of faeces noted, otherwise all correct.
105	166	8.2.2020	Sat	Outside	AM	9:39	10:19	40	NOD. People walking. No dogs.
106	178	9.2.2020	Sun	Outside	AM-PM	11:45	12:30	45	Attended, observed low activity.
107	200	11.2.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	17:00	17:20	20	Fine weather. 3 x dogs sighted. No faeces sighted. Low activity. NOD.
108	200	13.2.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	17:15	17:40	25	Fine weather. Low activity. Sighted 3 x dogs on leash. No faeces sighted. NOD.
109	200	14.2.2020	Fri	Outside	PM	17:10	17:30	20	Rainy. Low activity. No dog sighted. No faeces sighted. NOD.
110	97	15.2.2020	Sat	Outside	AM	8:50	9:14	24	Drizzle rain. No-one sighted. Very quiet.
111	124	17.2.2020	Mon	Outside	PM	16:53	17:15	22	Patrolled, 2 dogs both on leash with tags. No faeces sighted.
112	124	19.2.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	13:32	13:56	24	Patrolled, one dog sighted on leash.
113	190	20.2.2020	Thur	Outside	AM	9:50	10:40	50	Overcast and 17. Medium activity. Sighted 4 x dogs on leash. Area clean.
114	200	20.2.2020	Thur	Outside	AM	9:40	10:30	50	Weather fine. Low activity. Sighted 4 x dogs. No faeces sighted. NOD.
115	124	21.2.2020	Fri	Outside	PM	13:42	14:00	18	Patrolled, no dogs sighted. No faeces sighted.
116	200	22.2.2020	Sat	Outside	PM	15:35	16:00	25	Fine weather. Low activity. One dog sighted off leash. Owner ran away. No faeces sighted.
117	107	23.2.2020	Sun	Outside	AM-PM	11:40	12:27	47	Ongoing complaint. All users compliant with park conditions.
118	200	23.2.2020	Sun	Outside	PM	15:10	15:31	21	Hot weather. Low activity. No dogs sighted. NOD.

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119	190	25.2.2020	Tues	Outside	AM	7:50	8:30	40	Overcast and 22. Medium activity. Drainage works. 5 x dogs on leash. 1 x dog off leash. Spoke to FDO and she walked off. Area clean.
120	124	25.2.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	14:11	14:35	24	Completed, 2 dogs sighted. Both compliant. No faeces sighted.
121	166	25.2.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	17:28	18:00	32	NOD. Raising. People walking with dogs on leash.
	166	25.2.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	18:00	18:04	4	
122	190	26.2.2020	Wed	Inside	AM	7:10	7:30	20	Clear and 17. 5 x dogs off leash during off least time.
	190 and 200	26.2.2020	Wed	Outside	AM	7:30	7:50	20	5 x dogs on leash. No issues. Area clean.
123	124	27.2.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	12:38	13:00	22	Patrolled, 3 x dogs sighted. On leash. No faeces present.
124	166	27.2.2020	Thur	Inside	PM	19:25	19:40	15	NOD. People walking with dogs on leash.
125	190	28.2.2020	Fri	Outside	AM	8:00	8:29	29	2 x dogs on leash. Low activity for dogs. More people walking through. Handed 1 x carry bag. Overcast and 14. 2 x waste matter.
126	178	28.2.2020	Fri	Inside	PM	19:42	19:55	13	Attended, observed no breaches.
127	124 and 265	29.2.2020	Sat	Outside	PM	9:55	10:17	22	Patrolled. Spoke with one female who was about to let her dog off leash. Another lady had dogs on leash but let go of the leashes while picking up after one of them.
128	124	1.3.2020	Sun	Outside	AM	9:09	9:29	20	Patrolled, one dog sighted on leash. No faces present.
129	124	1.3.2020	Sun	Outside	AM	9:36	9:55	19	12 dogs present. No faeces sighted.
130	200	3.3.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	13:50	14:23	33	Fine weather. Low activity. No dog sighted. No faeces. Grass recently cut. NOD.

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131	178	3.3.2020	Tues	Inside	PM	18:12	18:31	19	Attended, observed many dogs. Compliant activity.
132	97	5.3.2020	Thur	Outside	AM	9:15	9:45	30	Wet. No one seen in park.
133	178	8.3.2020	Sun	Outside	AM	10:39	11:05	26	Attended park, observed limited activity.
134	166	8.3.2020	Sun	Outside	PM	12:24	13:07	43	NOD. Only two people in the park.
135	124	10.3.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	16:02	16:26	24	Patrolled. 3 x dogs sighted. Compliant. 1 dog found at large. Owner's property backs onto park RTO.
136	124	11.3.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	16:31	16:52	21	Patrolled. 3 x dogs sighted. All on lead.
137	97	13.3.2020	Fri	Outside	PM	13:58	14:30	32	One person sitting in park. Very quiet.
138	124	16.3.2020	Mon	Outside	PM	16:23	16:45	22	Patrolled. 3 x dogs sighted. Compliant. 1 fallen tree branch reported.
139	124	17.3.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	17:14	17:34	20	2 dogs sighted. Both compliant.
140	124	18.3.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	16:50	17:13	23	Patrolled. One dog wearing leash, wandering. Spoke to minor in control of dog and asked her to hold onto leash. 7 x other dogs sighted all on leash.
141	124	24.3.2020	Tues	Outside	PM	14:51	15:19	30	Patrolled, 5 dogs sighted on leash.
142	124	25.3.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	15:52	16:14	22	Patrolled. One woman warned for dog off leash. Social distancing observed.
143	124	26.3.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	13:45	14:13	28	2 x dogs sighted. Both compliant.
144	124	28.3.2020	Sat	Outside	AM	11:35	11:59	24	6 x dogs sighted - one off leash. Male owner warned verbally. Social distancing observed.
145	256	31.3.2020	Tues	Inside	PM	19:20	19:37	17	Static patrol of park noted. Approximately 6 x dogs over period of observation off leash. No offence is observed. Did not leave vehicle due to social distancing requirements as per current pandemic situation.
146	124	1.4.2020	Wed	Outside	PM	11:40	12:07	27	Patrolled. 4 x dogs sighted. Compliant.

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147	256	1.4.2020	Wed	Inside	PM	18:35	19:00	25	Approximately 10 dogs, then people in the park. Dogs off leash during off leash times. No offences observed. Static patrol conducted from within vehicle as instructed due to social distancing protocols.
148	124	3.4.2020	Sat	Outside	AM	9:59	10:35	36	Patrolled. 2 x dogs sighted. Compliant. Social distancing observed.
149	124	7.4.2020	Wed	Outside	AM	11:31	11:55	24	Patrolled, no dog sighted.
150	124	14.4.2020	Wed	Outside	AM-PM	11:48	12:22	34	11 x dogs sighted. All on leash. Social distancing observed.
151	124	15.4.2020	Thur	Outside	PM	15:39	16:06	27	Patrolled. 5 x dogs sighted on leash.
152	124	22.4.2020	Thur	Outside	AM	10:06	10:30	24	Patrolled. 6 x dogs sighted, all on leash.
153	124	23.4.2020	Fri	Outside	PM	9:33	10:09	36	Patrolled. 4 x dogs sighted, all on leash.
154	124	26.4.2020	Mon	Outside	AM	11:03	11:23	20	Patrolled. 3 x dogs sighted on leash.
155	124	29.4.2020	Thur	Outside	AM	11:00	11:43	43	Patrolled. 8 x dogs sighted. 3 verbal warnings given for dog off leash. Social distancing observed.
156	124	30.4.2020	Fri	Outside	AM	11:19	11:47	28	Patrolled. 4 dogs sighted. Compliant.

Limitations: Some observations have no description.