

APPENDIX ONE: Key submission points from submitters to the proposed Dog Policy 2009

Sub#	First name	Last name	Other Comments - NOTE: Many submitters did not provide specific comments and responded to questions asked on the feedback form only. Their responses have been considered in the development of the amended policy.
1	Thomas Gordon	Somerville	1) The council classifying all public spaces as controlled has impaired their ability to engage with dog owners on the issue of off leash exercise. Should allow ratepayers who own a dog, their right to enjoy as they should be able to some of the parks and reserves their rates contribute to. 2) DCA 1996 requires owner to immediately remove faeces. Council bylaw requiring people to carry a receptacle to carry faeces in unnecessary and impractical.
2	Robert	Logan	1) IBRA requests Council to retain status quo in regards to Island Bay Beach. Current Council policy regarding the eastern and western side of the Beach (adopted at IBRA request) represents a very sensible balance. Therefore drop current proposal re: dogs allowed on eastern (Surf Club side). Greater public use on eastern side - allow space where elderly and children can walk. 2) Request that the Council use clear signage and appropriate enforcement to help dog owners be aware of rules that apply to each part of beach.
3	Bill	Dussing	1) Policy does not address the issues that are important. The issue should be owners not controlling their dog - on or off a lead. Most off leash areas too small, next to roads and not fenced so not used. Policy and Control officers need to focus on the behaviour you want from owners and not on if the dog is on a lead - the issue should be if the dog is under control and picked up after. \$300 fine is excessive for an under control dog off lead - drunk drivers are not fined that much. Wellington needs to address the behaviours they want changed and not a bunch of random laws that do not fix the issues.
4	Glenda	Athea	Perhaps the word control could be substituted with responsibility or similar.
5	Amitara	Basu	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
6	Charlotte	Kerr	Destination Dog Park - Lyall bay has become a destination area as is the only area of decent size and isn't laced with possum poison (Worser Bay and Ataturk respectively). While I support the idea and think we need more off leash areas of a decent size, I would be unlikely to take my dog there - at a time when we are concerned about climate change I don't see why I should drive in order to walk my dog. 2) Why shouldn't dogs, their owners and the general public be able to share the same space if the owners have the common sense to ensure that their dogs are under their control even when off the leash. Your policy changes, while appreciated make no real, significant changes to dogs and their owners. Especially those of us in the eastern suburbs.
7	Barbara	McLaughlin	1) Fundamental things for dog park (lighting, signage, containment) still missing. No action from e-petition. Focus on getting these things right before destination dog park. 2) Please reconsider the removal of McAlister Park as a dog exercise area as this is one of the few areas with natural boundaries away from roads. McAlister Park is not currently used for sports but is heavily used by dog walkers. Maybe consider removing Mt Albert park instead? Mountain bikers have dug up park with ramps can't be used for dog exercise anymore.
8	Saskia	Booiman	Please ensure there is at least one rubbish bin in all dog exercise areas.
9	Ema	Mitchell	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
10	Christine	White	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
11	Renata	Balfour	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
12	Name not supplied		1) Balancing rights of non-dog owners and dog owners. 2) Recognition of health and wellbeing benefits of dog ownership, provision of access for controlled dogs to more areas. 3) Provision of open spaces for dogs to be exercised off leash. 4) Allowance for long period (i.e 24 months) of responsible dog ownership after death of current dog before renewal
13	Leslie	Meek	South Coast exercise areas are poorly defined and seem contradictory (Red Rock and places in between?)
14	Christine	Murcott	1) RDO - No to paying for site inspections, unruly dog owners should pay for site inspections not RDOs. 2) Dog park - in a time of recession Council would be best to spend \$100,000 on better street lighting, rubbish collection and cleaning. 3) Map on P20 - where are the added yellow dog restriction areas. 4) why wasn't material supplied online? - huge printing costs.
15	Greer	Mathers	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
16	Lee James	Renton	Like the proposal to allow access through CBD and dog destination park - as long as it is done professionally. Do Not agree with changing Waitangi Park as is the only large grass area in CBD
17	Desley	Oconnor	Want Council to stop wasting my \$140 per year registration fees on producing expensive documents like this. Lost RDO status when dog escaped the house when a tradesman was there.
18	Mary	Duignan	Access to the Waterfront through the city
19	Kirsten	Porteous	I am very happy with the change of access hours for Dog Access at Island Bay beach. No one apart from dog owners seem to use it in the morning.

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20	Jennifer	Ledingham	A destination dog park fully fenced would be an asset to Wellington.
21	Naomi	Ellicock	Allowing passage through central city is a good idea.
22	Cheryl	Corrado	Glad we can give feedback from dog owners stand point
23	Douglas	Wilkins	Wellingtonians finally have a chance to reverse the well-intended but ineffective by-laws under which we currently operate. Only when dogs can walk through the city centre and ride on public transport will we be able to call this a great city.
24	Sharon	Grealy	Like that dogs are being considered, especially considering their owners are now paying more for dog registration and getting less for their dollars in terms of off leash areas.
25	Stephen	Meyer	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
26	Susie	Wang	More exercise areas for dogs and dog owners, especially opening up central region during business hours as it is convenient to access other areas.
27	Serge	Peeters	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
28	Bridie	Kelly	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
29	Katja	Geschke	Veterinarian - Dogs need social, unrestrained contact with other dogs to become well behaved, normal dogs. More off lead areas will create better socialised dogs. There are so many well behaved and trained dogs in Wellington, and I often feel they are paying for the bad behaviour of very few others. 2) Strict laws have a huge impact on the vast majority of good dog owners who have very limited opportunity to socialise their dogs.
30	Faye	Munnelly	It is ridiculous to close off access to the Waitangi Park grass area for dogs. If you encourage people to live in the city then you must realise that these people will need grass areas to walk their dogs. There is a vet clinic near the area. Several dog owners who currently use the park live in apartment blocks that surround the grassed area. If you encourage people to live in the city then you must realise that these people will require facilities close by such as grass to walk their dogs.
31	Ann	McGregor	McAlister Park exercise area is currently the only area in our district which is a safe proximity from roads and therefore allows dogs to run free, play, chase balls etc without risk. It is also accessible for older people who have difficulty with steep sites. I do not want to see it closed.
32	Richele	McKenzie	Hopefully will remind other dog owners to keep their dogs off playgrounds and sports fields
33	Adele	Fitzpatrick	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
34	Shirley	Ang	The fee should be lower if a RDO changes address and the recertification process must be more streamlined
35	Sharon	Offord	1) I feel people would be more inclined to bag their dog poo and bin it, if bins were available. 2) If Karori cemetery is to stay on leash - can we have a legal off leash replacement? The park in south Karori which was designated has been transformed into a kids mountain bike trail without consultation and is now dangerous for walkers and dogs.
36	Sally	Talbot	1) I oppose the change that dogs should be leashed from Hector to Point Dorset. This is rough wild territory and very rare to see children there. It is too hard to hold a dog on a leash on such uneven ground. I request off leash at all times from the edge of the new development southward. 2) Who walks their dogs after midnight? - no lights on a beach - dangerous territory. 3) Do not agree with Waitangi Park - provide doggy bins and bags.
37	Bharat	Ratanpal	1) Have consideration for dogs and their social/exercise needs. 2) Articulate that dog ownership could lead to better community health. 3) Better use of areas for dog exercise balanced against the use of same areas by general public. 4) Like concept of Destination Dog Park
38	Jim	Davidson	Nice to see greater focus on dog welfare rather than 'protecting the public' against dogs. I disagree with adding questions re: dog care and welfare to the RDO application as these owners are already likely to be knowledgeable on these subjects via the training requirements required to achieve RDO. How about a focus on non RDO owners who are more likely to benefit from this knowledge?
39	Amanda	Cashman	1) More/Better clarity on dog exercise areas. 2) Like that RDO doesn't take so long. Not sure Council should have more input on welfare of dogs. Yearly visits are definitely overkill - people only visit their doctor when they're sick. Obviously if complaint received should be investigated.
40	Barbara	McLaughlin	Please do not remove McAlister Park dog exercise area. Please fix basics at existing dog areas first (before dog destination park) i.e. Lighting, fencing, signage.
41	Linda	Young	I am opposed to the encouragement of animal/pet ownership in both urban and increasingly populated suburban areas. Cats also create problems.
42	Suzanne	Dalton	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
43	Mike	Young	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.

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44	Kristy	Lemmon	Seatoun beach should be an off leash dog exercise area all day. That beach has walking trails and very little swimming. The only people I ever see using that beach are divers and dog owners. It's an excellent place to walk your dogs - please do not change that.
45	Stephanus	Vluggen	Require more beach exercise areas. Policy in general is well balanced. More bins at dog exercise areas would be good. Dog need areas to socialise and run freely and safely.
46	Babette	Newman	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
47	Ms M	Barr-Brown	Some improvement in connotation of Dog owners as good people.RDO - unclear what circumstances a probationary owner would be mandated to do dog training - presumably once a dog own has owned a dog safely, future dogs will be assumed not to be a risk
48	Sally	Hawkins	Duncan Park exercise area - between stream and Nathan Street - is not accessible like it states in the policy. Sign between playarea and exercise area to indicate dogs allowed off leash in grass area would be helpful. Alternatively a fence to separate the 2 areas (playground and exercise) would be useful - albeit at a large expense.
49	Bruce	Klein	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
50	Lorraine	Wood	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
51	Jacqui	Lane	Fantastic idea to add beaches as off leash exercise areas - especially Owhiro Bay. RDO status inspection and fee - how much will it be? Re: questions - how necessary are they? Wont people trying to obtain RDO status already be responsible, hence the knowledge to apply? I think information about owners responsibilities should just be made widely available or promoted generally.
52	Jan	Symington	1) Intrigued as how you will handle Karori Cemetery issue, surely those visiting graves need involvement in this decision. 2) Also whats going to happen to the 'Dog Wardens' (impounders)
53	John	Cochrane	Q4 (ranking how a dog destination park should be funded) should have been clarified - 1 being the most preferred option.
54	Michele	Grigg	Why keep certain beaches off limits to dogs and owners till midnight? - a lot of people also walk their dogs in the evenings - why penalise them with uneven hours? Why not dusk or 8pm instead (in summer) - who uses the beaches in the dark after midnight?
55	Louise	Beaumont	Would like to know how much these publications cost? Why such heavy paper used? And if paper is recycled?
56	Linda	Peters	Need significant reduction in fee to encourage owners to become RDO. Not sure how often I would use a dog destination park. Would not like dog areas to be closed in order for one big park
57	Ann	Cunninghame	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
58	Diana	Chan	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
59	Christine	Winstanley	I am please at recognition that dog owners are mostly responsible people and that recognising their recreational needs is worthwhile.
60	Anna	Flowers	Whilst walking my dog at Seton Nossiter Park I saw 3 plastic bags of dog poo and then noticed the lack od rubbish bins. I have an idea that every dog owner to purchase a mini trowel scoop to pick up dog poo and throw it in the bushes.
61	David	Hamilton	As a rate payer I see the cost of printing a document like this a waste of money and am sure there are cheaper ways to get this information
62	Rosalia	Andrews	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
63	Not Supplied		Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
64	Hamish	Gordon	You have received several requests in recent years for an off leash exercise area/s in the Botanical Gardens (e.g. Magpie Lawn on a morning and evening basis - say 6-9am and 6-9pm) but these have no been addressed or acknowledged. There are no off leash areas in the central city vicinity and demand from many dog owners in this area remain unaddressed.
65	Jenn	Corbitt	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
66	Lisa	Walshe	Great that you have asked our opinions but this document is far too heavy-going and undoubtedly costly to have produced and sent to every dog owner. A summary pamphlet would have been more cost, time and response effective. The idea of a dog destination park is excellent. I travel to Lyall Bay often for this purpose from Karori! There is still not enough off leash areas. Dog owners should not be penalised by the public so much.
67	David & Caroline	Thomas	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
68	Vicki	Owen	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
69	Jonathon	Hill	A step in the right direction. I think Council officers need to be empowered to use their discretion and judgement in application of rules. Rules are only useful in achieving a goal - if there isn't an issue a sensible discretionary approach should prevail. Council officers have got it wrong blanketly applying the off leash ban there - this reflects poorly on Council.

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70	Deryn	Hardie Boys	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
71	Brian	Allen	If you are going to fine dog owners for not picking up dog droppings, then fine all people who drop rubbish.
72	Kenneth	McDonnell	Your dog policies are very out of date and overly controlling. Urban people with small dogs are not a menace as your policies imply. Many cities invite dogs in the CBD and city parks. Its time to get contemporary, dogs on leashes, everywhere all the time please.
73	Janet	Weir	Very pleased about Te Kopahou as off leash area and retention of other off leash areas. I am a responsible dog owner but as a pensioner I cannot afford \$50 for site visit to get RDO status. Rates are \$20 per week for me and dog registration \$107 per annum. Is that not enough? Appreciate Council work on behalf of dogs and owners. Lyall Bay beach is a favourite
74	Karen	Fifield	Would also like to see a Cat Policy for Wellington including curfews and compulsory microchipping/neutering
75	Barry	Brailey	Why would dog park need an increase in registration fee? What do you currently spend registration fees on? My suspicion is that the fees are spent on enforcing dog and animal policy (basically we pay for you to catch unregistered dogs). I strongly oppose any increase in fees as law abiding dog owners are not rewarded in any way.
76	Sophie	Rosemary	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
77	Helena	McMullin	Nice to see council becoming friendlier towards the large majority of dogs owners who pay their reg fees and look after their dogs. 4.1.5 needs clarification to include existing dog walking provisions on these beaches remain the same. (i.e on-lead walks ok during winter months)
78	Joanne	Richardson	The options are increasing - thereby supporting the happiness and health of dogs who live in the city. And the fun owners can have.
79	Amber	Proudfoot	When I received the policy in the post I was disgusted by lavishness of the document, I feel I get very little for dog reg fees and to see such opulence by WCC in hard financial times makes me sick. My family is struggling financially this year - paying for our dog rego is stressful.
80	Sarah	Turner	Responsible dog policy revisions is not just about fences. More exercise areas!. Really like idea of specific dog park. We go to one in Auckland when we visit and it is wonderful.
81	David & Catherine	Morrison	Appreciate consultation and additional exercise areas. 3.2.3 McAlister Park - the area concerned is separate from sportsfield and removing it would greatly restrict dog walking opportunities of locals - and make no difference to the sportsfield. Please retain status as exercise area if possible
82	Peter	Hobbs	The proposed requirement for a "home visit" to "approve" the suitability of an owner - at their cost - to be deemed a 'responsible owner' is rubbish! Why no question on this? Very little on proposed changes on fees to be charged
83	Helen	Deeble	Literature on Draft Dog Policy public consultation were produced in very expensive form - information should have been available on line and at libraries and money allocated to retaining night courses.
84	Jo	Kettell	Increasing dog exercise areas is positive. Off lead walking areas in Karori are highly unsuitable for early morning walks in winter. There is no lighting at the far end of Karori Park - this is why Karori Cemetery is suitable and should be an off leash area before 8am and after 5pm.
85	Jacqui	Eyley	Encouraged to see Council gain appreciation of benefits dogs can give to society. Control is certainly a word that grates and personally makes me feel like i'm talking about taking a dangerous weapon rather than an affectionate companion. So well done for recognising this. As the Director of Greyhounds As Pets programme I would like to emphasise the need for a fenced dog park in the Wellington region. We now have over 50 pet grayhounds in the region and our owners do desperately need a large, safe area. Christchurch recently allocated an area in the Groynes dog park for bookings. Our supporters have contributed towards fencing costs and have helped clear and plant land. Perhaps we could do something similar?
86	Mary Ellen	Gordon	Wellington is disappointing as has disproportionate, negative and irrational attitude towards dogs. I believe it is partially attributable to tone set by Council and its Policies. I expected to see this mentioned in the LTCCP with outcomes such as 'Wellingtonians enjoy recreation and are amongst most active in NZ' or opportunities for recreation are diverse safe and affordable, accessible. but they were actually discussed as part of health and safety - that not only distorts the risks of dogs compared with their benefits but also distorts the risks of dogs compared to other hazards faced by Wellingtonians. Besides diverting disproportionate attention to the threat of dogs relative to other hazards, it appears the Council is much more aggressive in its enforcement of dog related infractions than most others. besides making enforcement and punishment of dog related offences proportionate to other types of offences, I urge Council to provide facilities for dog owners that are proportionate to those offered to people with other interests EG LTCCP plans to spend nearly 18 million dollars on recreation services such as sportsfields with much of that being funded by rates - good dog exercise areas are as important to dog owners as good playgrounds
87	Tony	Travers	I think improved dog laws are required and extra hours and areas are required, however I do not believe these should be extended to family beaches
88	Julian	Gonzalez	I am fully in favour of responsible pet ownership, in this case dogs. I feel that the current policy is too restrictive.
89	Chris	Gray	I like the draft policy's support of being able to walk through City with my dog

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90	Joanne	Backhouse	I like the sensitive approach for instance not cancelling the RDO status when a dog dies and the emphasis on the dogs wellbeing. I think you have done an excellent job and thank you for taking trouble and being so considerate. The only other comment is that the Destination Park is very expensive and I would prefer to see any available money used to fence existing exercise areas where these have dangerous access to busy roads. I think more dogs would benefit from that than the Destination Park.
91	Rosalyn	Kempthorne	Good to see a focus on the positive benefits of owning a dog. The Council could go further in the provision of dog exercise areas, particularly around Johnsonville. The current ones only accessible if you have transport i.e. none are in walking distance.
92	Diana	Pedlow	No to Destination Park at the chosen venue - Too far from anywhere - too wet, too muddy and sadly so much dog poo. Why are people so lazy!?
93	Tracey	Piper	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
94	Janeen	Gillies	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
95	Janet L	Reed	Dislike the way being one day late with registration can cause both a) stand down period before reapplying and b) fee for another property audit. Surely the stand down period is enough of a financial punishment? If the dog/owner/property are the same as they were before, why another inspection?
96	Faul	Sheryl	I think the expensive looking brochures are a waste of my rates which are too high already - why not send a letter with a web reference so people could read and respond via internet. A less expensive printed version could be available on request.
97	Neil	Tonkin	When you expect childrens playgrounds, pools, libraries, sports fields, art galleries...to be completely funded by the users than I think it would be fair to charge dog owners user charges for a destination park. Dog ownership is as much a valid recreation as looking at art.
98	Dianne	Armstrong	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
99	Wilfred	Glover	It is people (owners) who are the offenders in not seeing some degree of control, I think your policy in the DRAFT is fair and will go a long way to providing better control. (If not please put the owners of supposedly bad dogs "DOWN" and place their lovely pets with caring owners).
100	Heidi	Whiting	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
101	Andrea	Taylor	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
102	Barbara	Domican	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
103	Colin	Sharples	I would like to see at least part of Karori cemetery designated as off leash exercise area, even if for restricted time only (e. 6pm - 10am). I would also like to see the whole path from the road to the Wrights Hill exercise area re-designated as off leash as the primary users of that path are dog walkers. It would also be good to have a poo bin at Wrights Hill.
104	Paula	Cagney	I like the addition of policy objectives to recognise the positive benefits dogs bring to owners and the community.
105	Curtis	Nixon	I would like to raise a specific concern that is I have noticed a dramatic fall-off in dog ownership and a corresponding increase in cats, which inevitably leads to cat faeces becoming more and more an issue. It is becoming a public health hazard in certain locations and I would like it to be on WCC's radar.
106	David	Bishop	The review of the Dog Policy and Animal Bylaw should be extended to cover the issue of cats, which make a huge impact on native wildlife - be it on bird life or skinks and geckos, though there could be some unquantified benefit from rodent control. Owners of cats need to be licensed, there should be similar provisions as required of dog owners, with support for desexing animals. Cat owners then need to pay a fee for the privilege of owning a cat in Wellington City. This situation must be addressed due to the problems of strays and impact on wildlife.
107	Robert	Bell	Increase the off leash area in Trelissick Park to allow dogs off lead all the way from the bottom of Ngaio Gorge to Crofton Downs. Dogs need to be able to socialize and exercise and current area is too small. Off leash area from top of Broadmeadows/Johnsonville/Khandallah to the top fence at Mount Kau Kau.
108	Nathalie	Lecaude	Like that the Draft Dog Policy addresses the need for owners to ensure the welfare of their dog(s).
109	Tanya	Drawbridge	I appove of more freedom for dogs and their owners. Can it be true that only 8% of Wellingtonians are dog owners? I think the midnight 9am allowance for part of Island Bay Beach is rather silly. 10am would be a better time limit but for some people 9am is better than nothing. The proposal to make Island Bay (from the pier to the eastern end of the beach in front of the surf club), Worsler Bay and Seatoun beaches off-leash dog exercise areas between midnight and 9am should be extended to 10pm - 10am.

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110	Melanie	Hargreaves	Removal of access to Worser Bay is unnecessary. Many Yacht Club members have dogs - what can we do now? What about retaining access at least during winter and after normal beach areas in summer. Fees are way too high, there is no transparency to where the fees go - certainly not to help dog owners. The policy reads like a lot of money spent on semantics and word changes.
111	Cynthia	Sheridan	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
112	Amanda	Santos-Tren	I would like to see more clarity around the policies of dogs behaviour on owners property regarding other domestic pets. I live in rural area and I walk dogs on own property. I want to really understand my risks if someone else's pet on my property.
113	Anna	Greaves	More poop bins available at dog parks needed. Destination dog park is a great idea provided it is fully formed.
114	Judith Mary	Hickson	Locations of rubbish bins for dog poo disposal - most seem to be close to children's play areas and/or picnic tables. Particularly in the warmer months when these areas are in use more often, perhaps there could be a poo disposal bin away from these areas in parks.
115	Gina	Fell	How much has this review cost ratepayers? Could we have lived without it? Thought Council trying to save ratepayers money. Debating the name of the policy and where to let dogs shit seems like a waste of time to me - especially when the shit has to be picked up by the owners anyway. Destination park would be nice but unnecessary. Stop putting more policing on good citizens. Bad citizens and bad dog owners aren't going to go for RDO or register their dogs anyway.
116	Victoria	Whit	Do not agree with proposed changes to Worser Bay, Seatoun and Island Bay. The midnight to 7am off leash time frame is too restrictive. It should be 7pm - 9pm. We love walking our dog on the beach in the evenings and simply do not have time to wash him down in the mornings. We rarely see anyone other than dog walkers on the beach after 7pm in winter or summer so don't see the benefit.
117	Lisa	Robertson	Agree to proposed time limits in Island Bay, Worser Bay and Seatoun beaches as long as still allowed on lead when not day light savings. Destination dog park only beneficial if within 5-10 min drive of where we live
118	Susan	Lamb	Working dog definition - replace (a) with "disability assist dog" (p32). Bullet point 4 of owners responsibilities - include "dispose" of faeces for consistency with rest of policy (p12). Ensure relativity of fees for infringements of leaving faeces with fees for similar offences such as littering.
119	Emma	Roynance	I think that the decision not to provide dog faeces bin should be open for discussions. Coming from the UK where they are provided they provide a much more hygienic purpose for responsible dog owners otherwise left carrying around bags containing faeces. You could provide 50 bins for 2 years instead of the dog exercise park!?
120	Diane	Dykes	Incredibly pompous. P18 'need to prevent danger and to minimise distress nuisance to public at large'. For heavens sake why is there not a children's control policy. The enormous amount of time - money spent on this could have been better spent on monitoring kids loitering in malls city streets and the railway station. Our city is becoming a super regulated sad place.
121	Ann	Kennedy-Perkins	Congratulations on recognising the positive contribution dogs make to our social wellbeing. Would like to see extended hours for Island Bay Eastern end to 8pm - 9am so we can walk dogs off leash in the evening. Families have gone by this time. However, morning access is appreciated. Dog owners and ratepayers contribute to sports fields we do not use so why shouldn't all ratepayers subsidise dog exercise areas.
122	Catherine	Alderton	I still think we need more larger areas for big dogs to exercise off leash. These areas need to be safe for the dog owners eg overlooked by roads or houses (Seton Nossiter is great but can feel a little isolated. I similarly have felt vulnerable alone with my dog at Waihinahina Park). I also think we need more bins to encourage dog owners to pick up after pets.
123	Sarah		I like that the benefits of being a dog owner are acknowledged. I like more exercise areas as I exercise with my dog early and we like places without too many other dogs as she is very small & doesn't like being jumped on by bigger dogs. That is the same reason we wouldn't go to a destination dog park. Good effort on this plan! I would love the option of a much smaller tag for small dogs. The tag is quite a problem size wise. I'd be happy to pay for this.
124	Sarah	Meikle	I am opposed to additional fee being imposed on a home inspection for RDO status. I have gone to considerable expense to ensure that my property is secure and suitable for my dog (including a new gate, fencing etc), not to mention \$360 worth of obedience training for my dog and I to obtain the necessary certification for Dog Owner Status. Now you are telling me that I need to pay further to have my home checked. I understood being an RDO, apart from the obvious, that there would be a saving in annual registration fees. Based on the average life-span of a dog - why would people bother obtaining this status? I do believe it is totally justified to undertake a home inspection if you were to receive a complaint, but making general home inspections unnecessary and a cost that I think is totally unreasonable.
125	Stephen	Chin	I sometimes walk my parents dog. The draft is still anti-dog ownership. Not an incentive for me to exercise.
126	Wai Yui	Chin	The policy is still draconian towards dog owners.
127	Tim	Brown	Dog Policy should be focussed on widening where dogs can go while making sure that they are appropriately managed once they are there. In general dogs should be able to accompany their masters to as many places as possible, with those masters ensuring their dog does not foul or threaten other people. With innovations such as snapper cards it is possible to have passports for dogs, there is no reason why WCC annual tag couldn't contain a chip which could be remotely read in areas where it is necessary to track dog/owner compliance with rules.
128		Hoverd	Like the idea of dog park but think that spreading the idea to other exercise areas would be better i.e. a simple agility course eg. two hurdles, a tunnel maybe and bench to walk dog along gives dog something to do at exercise areas. Why has the area on MacAlister Park been dropped - it is much better than the drafty, cold, muddy and steep area on the corner of Balfour Street.

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129	Louise	Curner	Dog poo bins at Lyall Bay and dog exercise areas would be good. Owhiro Bay Beach should be off the leash exercise area.
130	Lorraine	Chin	Dog owners in Broadmeadows should have a dog exercise area. They should be allowed to walk their dogs off lead from the entrance to Mt Kaukau walkway in Sirsi Terrace to the fenceline at the base of Mt Kau Kau lookout. This stretch of track is well defined and there are no farm animals in this area. The whole of Trelissick Park should be made a dog exercise area off lead, cheaper than \$100,000 Newlands Park.
131	Lola	Gudsell	Wellington City Council needs to be more dog friendly (we pay enough for registration). For the public to feel safer - all registered dogs should be provided with muzzles and then all dogs not wearing a muzzle can be impounded. In regards to Arthur Carmen Park, Linden - I oppose the proposed policy of closing this park to dogs during the winter months. The park is used daily by many dog owners and would be a great loss to us. This is the closest dog walking area where dogs can be off leash for all residents north of Collins Avenue and Greenacres suburb. The closing of this park during this time would cause dogs to be under exercised thereby leading to other problems. Having now trained us dog owners to use Arthur Carmen Park, why would you now change your minds when the need has not diminished? Are you expecting us to move to Duncan Park much further away? I think you should rather anticipate that dog owners deprived of this facility might look for other parks nearer rather than further. May I suggest that the consequences of this proposed action be given some thought. Arthur Carmen Park is totally unsuitable for sports as it lacks adequate drainage. During winter months especially all three fields are swampy. The fields
132	A	R	Great presentation - ease of quite technical terms. \$100,000 for dog destination park is too expensive.
133	Rebecca	Grainer	Likes more exercise areas. Dislikes increased cost of RDO status - this should be encouraged as benefits dogs. Very impressive consultant booklets but how much did they cost and response rates? Suggest that policy is available pick up hard copy from council or available to read on line. Most owners will have binned this expensive document.
134	Henry	Chin	Instead of spending \$100,000 on a new dog park - make Trelissick Park the destination dog park, allow dogs to be off lead in Trelissick Park from the bottom of Ngaio Gorge to the top at Waikowha Street entrance - it's a naturally contained area. WCC supply council bins at all entrances. Make the end of Sirsi Terrace to the fenceline on the Northern walkway a dog exercise area for broadmeadows residents.
135			Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
136	Terrance James	Neilson	It does not go far enough in terms of enforcing the obligations of owners to clean up after their dogs. The current provisions are unworkable and many owners treat them with contempt.
137	Glen	Edwards	Think it is dog friendly. Good to be consulted and have a say.
138	Jude	Chan	Clarifies wording on certain issues. Wording is more balanced for both dog and non-dog people, showing Council respects both groups. NB: It would be helpful to be notified of progress of reapplying for RDO due to change of address as I have a lot to lose if this not carried out by the Animal Management Administration. When the ACO inspection is due/has been done.
139	Sarah	Nelson	I think the policy has made a real effort to recognise the positive contribution that dogs make to peoples lives. I commend WCC for proposing the right of access across the CBD. I would like to see WCC encourage suburban shop owners to provide lead hooks (so owners know their dog is safe when they enter a shop) and other friendly equipment such as water bowls. This is very common in Europe. The policy is quite high level and I think it would also benefit from some more practical solutions such as the above suggestions. This could come under 4 mechanisms or under 2 new chapters called dog acceptance/investigation in the community for example. I think that the rights of non-dog owners are covered quite well but would encourage increased emphasis on informing the general public that dogs are an acceptable and indeed valued part of the community. New policies stating this would be welcomed. However, overall I do think the policy is well considered. Well done!
140	Coulaman	Stephanie	I like the new emphasis on the positive aspects of dog ownership. I don't agree that dogs are permitted in most public places. I generally find my dog and children are incompatible and I often can't take them out together (no playgrounds, sportsfields as a spectator, no beaches that children would want to go to i.e. with play friends or swimming and not allowed in town if we go shopping). I would appreciate better access to Island Bay Beach - that is where we live. I would feel annoyed at having to answer questions to earn my RDO status when I have been a RDO for nearly 8 years. New owners have not earned the status but I have. In the UK on the recent visit I loved seeing dogs in pubs and beer gardens. That is the direction I would like to see us move towards.
141	Helen	Cordier	Like the idea of a dog destination park.
142	Peter	O'Shea	It would be useful to have a 1 pager to provide clarification on access where and when to carry around and provide to children with dogs. Otherwise I support the policy's ease of use.
143	Lisa Jean Mary	Ralph	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
144	Kat	Porter	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
145	Laurence	Brierley	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
146	Claire	Pearson	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
147	Barry	White	We had our RDO taken off us this year for paying dog registration late by a couple of days. We have owned 2 dogs in 20 years at the same address and never had a fine or any trouble with dog control. The dog registration form says late fee payment may result in the loss of RBO status. Surely other things should be considered before this is removed. The RDO scheme needs to be looked at - it is not very well run. Most people don't even know about it.

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148	Fakiki	Peters	Clear and fair. Suggest section 4.3 needs to be strengthened by WCC - by increasing the number and promotion of dog obedience classes.
149	Michelle	Gray	Improvements to RDA will ensure it truly is for responsible owners. While more bins would be beneficial.
150	Pauline	McNeill	Further to the Waitangi Park changes I find it very strange that you are considering to make this a dog free area when people visit the vet shop there. I have never seen this park abused by dogs and it should be left as it is. An idea would be to fine dog owners not cleaning up after their dogs. This is always a problem for us responsible owners especially around Oriental Bay Waterfront area.
151	Sarah	Spencer	I like the policy because it is acting as a control check and measure on dog owners. The word "control" should definitely be retained in the title as that has always been my issue with the dog owners. I live on the edge of Karori Cemetery and almost ticked the prohibited box on this form as most owners I have encountered struggle to control their dogs around small children - I hope they don't let down as there is a friendly minority who do obey the rules.
152	Teresa	Jordan	Really like the idea of a destination dog park. Hoping it would be fully fenced through. We own a beagle and it would be great to have a fenced park where there is no chance she could get away on her own.
153	Karmyn	Lyons	The establishment of a destination dog park and general direction of policy to be pro-active and encourage dog ownership.
154	Nick	Williams	I want the area from Breaker Bay beach to the Hector Street end of Seatoun Beach to be available to walk my dog off leash 24/7. I have walked my dog off leash in this area for 8 years without incident. I often see no one on my walks. If I do it is other dog owners with their dog off leash. Our society is becoming over regulated, I will never support your proposal for this area. I am in the majority for this request.
155			Like the level of detail provided in the policy
156	Kathryn	Haumshaw	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
157	Joanne	Jackson-Harding	Thank you. It is great to have a say. Much appreciated! I look forward to the opportunity to make an oral submission.
158	Isla	Osten	I would recommend dog exercise areas such as the one by the orange needle (Evans Bay beach) and Worsley Bay/Awa Road intersection be fenced off properly. They are both next to extremely busy roads (Cobham Drive) and could cause a serious accident if a dog ran onto the road. No dog owner should feel comfortable letting their dogs off lead in these dog exercise areas.
159	Karyn	Webb	I like that it has become slightly more dog friendly. But honestly it sounds like it has been written by a dog hating, fearful, whiny little person. What I would like is recognition of older dogs. I have had my dog for 14 years, the last 3 or 4 of which he really doesn't require a great deal of exercise and would rather be at home. I resent the fact that I've consistently paid full fees for him. My mother is the same - she has an 18 year old Pekinese who hasn't left the house in 5 years. Cars get cheaper registration after 40 years - dogs should have the same opportunity. My dog has never been a problem or had an infringement.
160	Carolyn Lisa	Fon	I think that a sports field should be a sportsfield and not half dog park and half sports field. I find that a lot of people do not clean up after their dogs and this would be a health hazard on a sports field.
161	Fiona	Falconer	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
162	Melanie	Federico	I think it is very very important to allow all dogs to be walked on a leash through the central city if it is an access way through to an area where they are allowed i.e. waterfront etc. For instance we cannot currently walk our dog between our workplace (allowed area) to where our car is parked (prohibited) - this is ludicrous. There is nothing wrong with well behaved, controlled and leashed dogs in our city.
163			I would like to see an area at Island Bay beach that is available for dog owners to use to exercise their dogs off the leash 24 hours per day. The beach is big enough to accommodate this. The current and proposed rules are confusing re Island Bay.
164	Pamela Rose	Robertson	"Control" reeks of thumbscrews and suppression (of dogs and their owners). The policy name should reflect a positive working together attitude of not only dog owners but staff and the non-dog owning public.
165	Stephen	Nicholas	Like that consideration has been given to citizen feedback.
166	Bronwyn	Sweeney	Policy 5 - Responsible dog ownership - I don't think it will make any quantifiable difference and creates more work and cost. It is unclear if current RDO's will have to pay to become RDO's under the new policy. Cost of site inspection has not been shown. I don't agree with the changes in policy 5 reducing the period of last infringement (impounding from two years to one. What is the basis of this change?
167	Helena	Barwick	I think the policy is effective in achieving the balance between the rights of those who don't want anything to do with dogs (the majority) and the minority of dog owners. I support almost all proposed changes and commend the Council for its work on this policy.
168	Nadine	Itaines	Waitangi Park - If dogs are leashed there shouldn't be any conflict.

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169	Sue	Lutollis	You do not ask if anyone disagrees with the elimination of Macalister Park from approved exercise areas. I vehemently disagree as there are few easily accessible and relatively safe places in the Newtown area especially for those who walk dogs at night. Take Macalister away and only the steep/dark pines area in Newtown Park is available and as a woman I feel unsafe and what about access by elderly walkers and their dogs.
170	Lyn	Norris	More can be done to assist general public and dog owners on how to know and manage dog behaviour/manners. Great that dogs in public places. Plus help dog owners and non dog owners on knowing how to distinguish between threatening and non threatening dog behaviour. Off leash areas between 12 - 9am. Light provided.
171	Ann-loise	Webster	Our dog is registered in my partner's name so I put I wasn't an owner but I share the care of our dog. I am pleased that there are proposals for increased exercise areas. Also the RDO change is good so that you do not lose the status after your dog has passed away. There is still no dog exercise area in Broadmeadows, I think that part of the track up to Mt Kaukau from Sirsi Cres at the top of Broadmeadows to the fenceline should be a dog exercise area, also a flat area would be good. The dog area at Trelissick Park will proposed to be extended is still too short - the whole track that follows the creek from the bottom of Ngaio Gorge to Crofton Downs should be designated dog exercise area. Dogs need variety and to be free to mix with other dogs. Also dog poo bins should be at all entrances to the park
172	Ian	Godfrey	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
173	Peter	Mairs	Likes nothing about the new draft dog policy.
174	Rachael	Staples	Restricted access to the inner city doesn't make any sense. Why can it not be an on-leash only area? With the responsibility of owners to ensure their dogs are under control at all times. This would allow access to inner city cafe's with outdoor dining facilities and would promote more people into these areas.
175	Patrick	Mckay	Dog owners are mainly responsible people who just want a fair deal. The policy is heading in the right direction.
176	Brian & Judith	Manton	Great to see this survey finally asking dog owners what they need/want. Council needs to ensure dog exercise areas are signposted so that general public realise dogs are allowed in the areas. We have been requesting a sign for Flinders Park (dog exercise area) for several years and still cant get one! Council Ref 1579384
177	Barbara	Grieve	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
178	Vicki	Harwood	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
179	Simon	Allison	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
180	Bernadette Faye	Staal	I support the destination dog park idea because I think you have selected the right location, drive on access, isolation, size of land. I do however wonder if the equipment will be vandalised due to the isolation of the land - will camera's operate to protect the equipment? I would not support the park if the equipment was installed in my local park as I prefer not to have all of the additional dog park traffic/people/dogs at my park.
181	Karen	Hamilton Smith	Yes to RDO provided dog owners are given a dog care welfare code (like a road code) that owners have the opportunity to learn the rules before being tested. Promotes learning too. Otherwise its not a fair system and people likely to fail and not learn. Policy should be called dog control policy as it is about control. All dogs should be controlled. Dogs which are menacing (dangerous) should be put down if they offend 3 or more times say. Council should be tougher and consequences more transparent/upfront if dogs offend. Owners should be very clear about what is acceptable and what is not. Not just fined (which owners may or may not pay). Too many cases of menacing dogs go unreported.
182	Matti Sebastian	Luutomes	Need to have a system to register type of registration disc needed for size of dog. Arthur Carmen Park is deserted on weekdays and has afternoon sun for dog walking. It should stay as is and out of bounds during sports times. Also a bin needs to be installed at Arthur Carmen Park.
183	Christopher	Guy	Policy is ok
184	Bayley	Luutomes	Arthur Carmen Park should stay as is just out of bounds when sport is being played. Need a rubbish bin installed at Arthur Carmen Park. Need to be able to register on file type of disc needed for dog registration as I keep getting the disc's that are too big for my dogs.
185	Brent	Logan	There are not enough dog exercise areas. Few if any are within reasonable distance to dog owners homes. The areas are generally unsuitable, boggy, poor maintained, not fenced, no facilities such as bins or seating, soiled, limited sun, no fresh water - I dont use them.
186	Nicola	Dench	I would like to see WCC make Hector Street south and around the coast to Breaker Bay a woof woof ruff ruff as 99% of the people who use this area are dog walkers and at present the nearest area (WWFF) to walk to is Worsler Bay/Awa Road area which is completely inadequate for the amount of dogs in the area and dangerous (by roads). Hector Street South around the coast from 12am - 9am means walking dogs in the dark.
187	Kaye	Whitehead	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.

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188	Susan	Budd	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
189	Susan	Cockayne	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
190	Gary	Oosterbaan	Prohibited places - I feel that a more appropriate prohibited time would be 9pm to 9am. The highlighted sections made the proposed changes very easy to understand - well done.
191	David	Parry	A dog still poss when on a lead and as long as we remove it everytime regardless - why can't we run on an unused sportfield or beach?
192	Terry	Huntley	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
193	Brian	Breese	Dog site inspection is covered by registration fees - so no charge. I want to see more activity re unregistered dogs
194	Mary	Schneider	McAlister Park should not be deleted as a dog exercise area - it is seldom used as a sportfield. Cog park is not securley fenced as are many dog areas, there should be pick up poo sign showing penalty. Also sea side (Cog Park) needs a sign to say on leash. Hattaitai beach sign has been defaced for years - should be replaced showing penalties. There should be more Dog Control Officers around.
195	Gerard	McGonigal	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
196	Heather	Llloyd	Cummings park at present the dog exercise area is on the east side of the park, I would prefer the park to be on leash or dog confined to the western side of the stream which is not suitable for other activities.
197	Michelle	Cave	Access to Waterfront - why do they have to be going elsewhere?
198	Franscesca	Bricit	More flexibility and areas to walk the dog. Inner city passage is necessary - open it up to RDOs
199	Not Supplied		It is silly targeting RDOs as majority of problems are caused by unregistered dogs. More effort should be put into getting unregistered dogs registered. Wellington is not dog friendly
200	Anna Elizabeth	Clearly	Not keen on RDO becoming void if you forget to pay your registration on time.
201	Not Supplied		Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
202	Not Supplied		Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
203	Susannah	Sturzaker	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
204	Jennifer Margaret	Twist	it would be good to have at least one disposal bin on Palliser Road.
205	Maureen	Harris	I am 76 years old and my concern buying at Village at the park was the access to McAllister park to exercise my dog. Now I hear Council may stop dogs walking there, which make it difficult for all the dog owners here as there is no where else for the dogs to exercise. 1) I did not get a dog questionnaire with my dog registration notice. 2) Am interested in the Dennis Duggan exercise area - Plus Play outreach programme - if no car how does one get there? 3) Island Bay beach, we walked there only to be greeted by a 'no Dogs' sign, the website says part of this beach can be walked on - which part?
206	Nicole Juliane	Martin-Lupp	I disagree with 4.2 RDO status changes to policy. I think the threshold should remain at 2 years and not be changed. Agree with welfare questions. 95% of people that visit Karori Cemetary are dog walkers or runner, others rarely vist - it should be off leash area. We like the dog bowl and water fountain.
207	Barry	Polley	Better language with 3 + dogs and permission. Wrong headed idea of 'menancing type'. I am not sure it addresses the major problems with dogs : 1) too many dog owners remove leashes in areas where they are required. 2) Dog faeces not collected
208	Janet	Dunn	Can you please explain why McAlister park areas is crossed out? In general the policy aims for a more tolerant approach to a largely well behaved dog population. I'd like to see further relaxation about where dogs can go.
209	Tony	Robertson	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
210	Catherine	Beard	I like the proposal to increase the off leash areas - particularly Newtown. Making Newtown Park - the hospital end off Cormandel St - an off leash area would be great
211	Alison	Fanselow	I live at the Village at the park and McAlister Park is across the road. It is perfect for us at the village as we are all alder senior citizens and really appreciate McAllister Park's Exercise area..
212	Stuart John	Powell	Owhiro Dog exercise area, CBD access to waterfront. Not happy about lack of access to sports grounds.
213	Brendon	Anstiss	Great idea for destination dog park. Save money by not printing such elaborate policy document
214	Philip George	Mansford	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.

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215	Ian	Culpitt	The policy makes no distinctions between dangerous dogs and others. WE need not one but several dog parks
216	Maureen Anne	Horner	Instead of spending \$100,000 on a destination Dog Park way out of town why not upgrade the existing exercise areas, ie fencing, bins. There are no safe places for dogs and children to play together.
217	June	Ralston	Destination Park is a fabulous idea
218	Joyce	Compton	Wrights Hill - there needs to be off-leash access to the Parade area
219	Kate	Jason Smith	It is about Control isn't it? WCC has a terrible attitude to dogs.
220	Suzzanne	Klement	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
221	Laura Jane	Gallagher	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
222	Aidan	Young	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
223	Craig	Hansen	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
224	Haydn	Nicholls	The Chelmsford Play area is the only area the Ngaio Cubs and Scouts have to use that is nearby. We object strongly to this park being turned into a dog area.
225	Diane Frances	Nicholls	Karori Cemetery is not to be a dog exercise area. The news signs at Cemetery are good but the one at Seaforth Terrace needs to be larger and in style of new signs. Karori Park which is a sportfield with a dog exercise area to the north in the trees is all used as a dog exercise area - A few signs at the entrance to remind owners their dogs need to be on a leash would be good.
226	Paula	Feathers	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
227	Carole	Forster	Love the addition of new dog exercise areas.
228	Yvonne	Tippett	Like more off lead areas, Destination Park and RDO
229	Rebecca	Scannell	Like Destination Dog Park. There should be more monitoring and stricter punishments for those who do not pick up after their dogs.
230	Neil	Skene	Reconsider the addition of Chelmsford Reserve as a dog exercise area. The Ngaio Scout Group have meeting 4 nights a week and use Chelmsford reserve as it is newar its hall and does not involve crossing roads, we have very few open areas where we can play games. Am not against destination parks in Ngaio, but Cummings Park and Treilissick park are already destination dog areas and i do not see the need for a thrid with 1/2 Km of scout hall.
231	Dean	Benvenuti	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
232	Anne	Dunlop	Responsible Dog owners is a good addition. Karori Cemetery should not be an off leash area between 8am and 5pm - but should be off leash before 8am and after 6pm. Karori Park tracks have now been developed into mountain bike tracks and can be quite dangerous walking if there are mountain bikes around. Wrights Hill - the parade ground is the only practical off lead area in Karori provided you drive and can access it! Until recently the walks to and around Karori Sancturay were dual/triple use ie bikes, walking, off lead and this worked very well, but now they have been deemed on lead only - this is a shame could this be reconsidered as off leash? Funding for Destination Dog park - is there money from registration fees that could be put towards this - they do seem quite high in comparison to other places.
233	Trish	James	Like that it offers more places to take dogs out of suburb streets
234	Karin	Won	Attempt to do something to make dog owners accountable and responsible. Council needs to put up signs warning dog fouling residents they will be fined if caught.
235	John	Lewis	Ngaio Scout group committee notes plans to allow Chelmsford Park to be utilised as a dog exercise area. Chelmsford Park is the nearest space available for outdoor activites, our concern is that allowing dogs will curtail any outdoor activities by the Ngaio Scout Group.
236	Martin	Haughey	All of the city should be accessible to Dogs and owners - it works in most major cities around the world. I am also against poisoning especially near or around dog friendly areas.
237	Not Supplied		
238	Sonia	Calvert	There is an attempt to balance policy to include issues from dog owners. Ultimately any moves to lessen paranoia in relation to dogs will benefit entire society.
239	Justine	McPherson	As a Karori resident am dismayed at lack of good Dog exercise areas.
240	Duncan	Milne	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.

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241	Mark	Farrar	Island Bay beach should have other times/restrictions than those outlined in your proposal. Pier to western end - accept summer restrictions 9am - 9pm very rare anyone on beach outside these times. Pier to East - I cant see why we need restriction.
242	Bibby	Ronberg	The amendment to CBD area is vital.
243	Fleur	Nicholas	Like fact focus has changed to recognise positive aspects of dog ownership.
244	Fiona	Wymark	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
245	Michele	McGaughran	Would support Destination park if fully fenced.
246	Anne	Couper	Asking questions of people seeking RDO status is probably a good idea but probably unlikely to target people who abuse or mistreat their dogs.
247	Celia	Falchi	The dog exercise areas are still not enough. You have taken away two major exercise fields and have not added another of similar size for all year round use.
248	Mary	Munro	Exercise area 16 - trelissick park - All the the park should be an exercise area ie off leash for all except those identified as dangerous or menacing.
249	Monica	Wilcox	Dog exercise areas off leash to be 7pm to 9am. After daylight Saving 5pm.
250	David	Long	Seems like a lot of time, money and effort has gone into something that will achieve very little. Best to adopt a hands off approach and give more Money to assisting SPCA to handle irresponsible owners.
251	William	Hallam-Eames	Karori Cemetery - I believe the on leash requirement is totally unfair and unreasonable, with the rationale that there is a possibilty dog will interfere with graves. What evidence is there of this? I have taken my dog walking there for at least 20 years and have never seen any dog interfering with a grave or evidence that they have.
252	Jenni	Palmer	I would like to see Island Bay daylight saving hours apply instead of midnight to 9am
253	Janet	Valentine	I think that areas that require dogs to be onleash should have this enforced.
254	Hamish Wayne	Norwood	Karori Cemetery - needs to be an off leash area, there are far more people using this area for dogs than for anything else. Those who do use it for their dogs are generally responsible.
255	Elisabeth	McGhie	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
256	Catherine & Grant	McLaren	This policy is a good balance
257	Gareth	Alley	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
258	Rayward	Chung	Policy is a good start but there are many existing parks that are underutilised where dogs could be exercised safely EG Trelissick Park, Kanpur Park.
259	Alison	Hollingsworth	Restricting off leash time on Seatoun foreshore to midnight to 9am is ridiculous. From Hector St to Point Dorset is only used by dog owners and fishermen. More money, time and effort into getting people to clean up after their dogs. What about cats? They can poo anywhere and kill wild birds.
260	Joanna	Gordon	I appreciate effort made to consider relationship between dog, dog owners and the public in a positive light. How about some dog ownership promotion. There should be several destination dog parks. I am disappointed in the continuing poor standards of safety of dog exercise areas - mainly poor fencing, location, poor lighting and poor refuse disposal which limts their usefulness as off leash areas.
261	Lois	Duncan	Like that it is a more positive attitude.
262	Rachel Helen	Foster	Some parks are not signposted as exercise areas - it is hard to know which areas are exercise areas. Rubbish bins should be in all exercise areas.
263	Vivienne	Lewis	Chelmsford Park (Ngai) should be split use with the top terrace being off leash exercise area and bottom terrace and parking be for public use.
264	Leanne	Gordon	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
265	Colleen	Ives	Good to see Dog ownership recognised as positive. Would like to see some dog exercise areas extended eg Mt Vic and other parts of green belt - most exercise areas ridiculously small. Would be great to have a dog park, would like to see Ian Galloway Park developed into a dog park.

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266	Trevor	Lloyd	Like designation of Chelmsford Reserve as an off leash area. I support this as it may reduce the severe impact dog exercising is having on Cummings park. Over recent years an issue has emerged in the deterioration of the quality of grass surface of the exercise areas and damage to the stonewalled bank where dogs run into the stream. Some action is urgently needed, a number of options are available: Disestablishing the park as a dog exercise area, designate it as an on-leash area, close it to dogs during winter, erect a notice asking owners to take account of the state of the park.
267	Matt	Callaghan	I support the redesignation of the dog exercise area on Mount Albert to allow the bowl to be used as a mountain bike facility.
268	Eve	Halliwell	Most dog exercise areas are too small and boring to walk in, I would like all of Wrights Hill, all of Karori Cemetery and all of Trelessick Park to be designated as freedom dog exercise areas.
269	Lyn	Clayton	Like - Rubbish Bins in exercise areas and microchipping on designated days. I strongly feel that dogs are often walking companions and need larger designated off lead walking areas as people often like to walk for an hour or more. I would like to see ALL of Wrights Hill and Trelessick Park designated off lead areas.
270	Peter	Clayton	Like - Rubbish Bins in exercise areas and microchipping on designated days. Dogs are important walking companions, I would like to see the off leash areas increased to allow one - two hours walking time. Areas that could be increased include all of Wrights Hill and Trelessick Park.
271	Jason	Baker	We are writing to share information on chaining and desexing ordinances and ask that you include these important provisions in Wellington's laws.
272	Mike	McKee	Like - that you are moving towards opening up more off leash areas. Moving towards letting Dogs in CBD, this is good as you are moving to normalise owning a dog and making ownership valued. Seatoun Beach - Timing should be 8pm to 9am to allow for peoples life styles.. Make Seatoun beach to Breaker bay off leash. Questions about dog care should not just be for responsible dog owners but for all licences.
273	Kath & Jim	Henderson & Collins	Do not support further restricting dog off leash or on leash exercise areas currently in use. Do not support destination dog park because: likely to be monopolized by large and/or aggressive dogs, would require vehicle travel to get to it, require substantial funding that could be put to better, fairer use for all dog owners. Would instead like to see some off leash exercise areas fully fenced. Would like to see more rubbish bins that take dog poo.
274	Christine Anne	Ross	Dog Control act exempts certain working dogs from the microchipping requirement, this must be acknowledged by an appropriate amendment to Paragraph 3.5. Clause 4.4.4 sets out provisions of sections 55 and 56 of Dog Control Act, my past experience is that Animal Management Staff do not always administer this correctly. The Dog Control policy will do nothing of substance to alleviate concerns about how dog control function is exercised in Wellington, in relation to complaints it remains heavily slanted against the dog owner and in favour of the complainant.
275	Irene	Trumper	Maybe if the registration of dogs was at a more reasonable rate people would pay it. What about responsible owners getting a discount if their dogs are microchipped and desexed or have lifetime registration.
276	Justine & Chris	Lawton & Finau	Other Councils charge less in dog registration yet provide poop bags with each years registration - disappointing wgrtn doesn't. More exercise areas needed in Johnsonville area.
277	Judy	Southworth	Strongly disagree on changes proposed for Chafers as this is only flat area in Mt Victoria, older people find it difficult to climb to Mt Victoria off leash area.
278	Sarah	Hall	Would like to see off leash area made available on Mt Kau Kau. Dogs need to run freely confining them off leash to small enclosed spaces is not the answer.
279	Charlie	Callcut	RDO has been too awkward to attain with a very limited timeframe to apply each year. Rubbish Bins - the policy made comment about people not using bins when they were provided, this is because people are too lazy not because they are un needed, Signage reminding people of their responsibilities, adequate bins and some spot reinforcement would go a long way to changing attitudes.
280	Kim	Keene	I think the Dog Policy looks fine except for the major problem is the lack of enforcement of rules. Is there any chance of Animal Control officers regularly visiting sportsfields on Saturdays and being available after 4.30pm weekdays to enforce existing laws? Re Creating a new dog exercise area for part of the year at Arthur Carman and Kaiwharawhara Parks, I don't think this will work as it blurs the line between sportfield and dog exercise area. I support the creation of as many dog exercise areas as possible away from sportfields and playgrounds.
281	Selwyn	Feary	Owhiro Bay - I would support the first bay beyond the visitors centre (end of Owhiro bay Parade) as a dog beach. I am opposed to using Owhiro bay as an off leash dog exercise area.
282	Sharon	Reeve	I would not like to see Owhiro Bay made a no leash area.
283	David	Lloyd	The online form has no question about the potential removal of McAllister Park as a dog exercise area, the proposed change seems to allow dog exercising through the surrounding bush but not the actual fields, however the bush is near on impenetrable - obviously exercising pets is a major part in responsible ownership and I would urge you to reconsider this parks proposed status.
284	Viv	Chapple	In general I support the draft policy with the exception of Chelmsford Park becoming a dog exercise area. There are already dog parks at Cummings Park and Silverstream Road - it appears illogical to place a third in between these two - when this park has been used for decades by Ngaio Scouts, Keas, Cub Scouts and Venturers.
285	Eric William	Gardiner	I am fully in favour of making Owhiro Bay an off leash area

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286	Helen	Reynolds	Re Clause 3.2 - I believe the more positive interaction a dog has with the public and other dogs, the better they learn to behave, therefore creating more dog exercise areas and allowing on leash access to populated area are positive moves. Clause 3.3 the term 'general presence and activities of dogs' should not be included, it is a subjective phrase as nuisance activities are already covered in the bullet points and the phrase leaves the policy open to abuse. Clause 4.2 - states if an RDO is convicted of an offence under the act the shall never be permitted to be reinstated, this needs review as even a probationary owner may only be deemed that for 2 years.
287	Kath	Kitney	If you want to promote picking up dog faeces - all dog areas should have bins. There appears to be no fine for not picking up after your dog - I believe there should be a fine. Only those apply for RDO status are required to answer questions about dog care and welfare - would be a good idea for first time owner/register also.
288	John	Baird	Re Q1: What will you do when the applicant gets a low RDO score? Re Q2: How will you manage this? Re Q4: you cant ask dog owners to pay, there are many specific locations funded by rates that many people never use
289	Sarah	Freeman-Price	I don't support Arthur Carmen park as a sportfield at all. Duncan st park is the next closest and that has a childrens park next to it.
290	Jacqueline	Carter	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
291	Ann	McAllister	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
292	Bob	Aldred	RDO status should be retained when replacing a dog that has died. Tightening up on owners removing and disposing of dog Faeces in public places.
293	Susan	Fitzgerald	New off leash areas are good as these are limited. Disappointed that there are no new bins for disposal of dog Faeces.
294	Viv	Walker	Owhiro Bay is part of the new reserve - dogs off leash contradicts this. Why not the old Quarry beach.
295	Flynn	Fletcher-Dobson	Needs to be training given to dog owners on how to behave responsibly around non-dog owners and people with children.
296	Carol	Mckee	Like acknowledgment of benefit of dogs to society - opening up city is recognition that dogs need exercise. Living in Seatoun and working Mon - Fri I need a place to exercise my dog off lead that is within walking distance, we cannot use sportfields or beaches. Council should provide the already de facto dog exercise area that runs from end of Hector St to Point Dorset.
297	Wendy	Purdon	Oppose the proposal to make the South Coast bays off leash areas, instead allow the bay along from Ohiro Bay quarry off leash.
298	Jacqueline	Pope	Lack of quality Dog exercise areas. The designated dog areas near by all have problems, cog park - not adequately fenced, Alice St - too close to poisoned areas, Top of McFarlane Palliser Rd - again too close to poisoned areas, Lyall Bay - fantastic but a car trip away.
299	D	Hendey	I do not agree that Owhiro Bay and Island Bay beaches should be off leash areas, but the first bay from the visitors centre could be used this way.
300	Dorothy	Douglass	Strongly support policies 6 - 9 on education of public and dog owners.
301	Frances	Lee	Exercise area for Trellissick Park should be extended downstream to include Kaiwharawhara Road, all tracks in the park should be exercise areas. Lower part of old Coach Road, Johnsonville should be added as an exercise area. Better signage should be provided for areas combining exercise and or controlled/prohibited areas so boundaries are obvious. Some detail should be provided in the policy aspects of 'under control'
302	Heather	Packer	Don't agree with Owhiro Bay being an off leash area, it is the local swimming beach and is also an important bird area. As part of the Marine reserve it is supposed to be on leash area.
303	Martin	Bonne	Makes an effort to accommodate dogs and dog owner in Wellington. More awareness needed about clearing up ones dog poos. Would like small area of Karori Cemetery to be off leash area for dog walking.
304	Marc	Schleiniger	Island Bay Beach should stay prohibited to dogs. Even the current Daylight Saving rules don't work and are not observed by Dog owners. There is already a dog exercise area across the road and if Owhiro Bay gets opened there is plenty of space for dog to exercise there.
305	Michal	McCracken	I am frequent user of McAlister dog park as it is far away from roads and has great natural barriers, I have enquired re the proposed new dog parks in Newtown, I want to know if they are safe have good access, parking etc? If not I would prefer McAllister park to stay as an off leash area.
306	Alice	Letteri	I support Worsley Bay and Seatoun being off leash dog exercising, however hours of midnight to 9am are not practical.
307	Jacquie	Hill	RDO status fees should be reduced to encourage people to apply for it. Doggy poo bins in exercise areas should be provided.
308	Penny	Krieg	Destination Dog Park - Brilliant Idea.
309	Barbara	Fill	Island Bay coastal revegetation plans are being prepared for a number of areas. Dogs not on leads are allowed to run through coastal planting areas and rip up newly planted native plants - more consideration needs to be given to areas where dogs can run free.
310	Deborah Louise	Rawson	I strongly oppose off leash dog exercise areas on Owhiro Bay Beach and Island Bay and Te Kopahau.
311			For the majority of general public, the most common referred nuisance is the fouling of public place and the subsequent failure by some dog owners to remove the faeces. We believe greater a specific fine applying to this should be added.

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312	Ruth	Mead	Changes to allow more off-leash areas would be beneficial. Destination dog park - there is no map of where agility equipment will be? Currently there is only parking for 10 or so vehicles. Enforcement continues to be a massive problem.
313	Mary	Schneider	Many dog exercise areas are poorly lit, which is difficult and prohibitive for working people to exercise their dogs during winter months, for people who do walk their dogs in the dark it is very difficult to clean up after their dogs due to low visibility. Many dog exercise areas are not contained, if one park per ward had acceptable containment it would be well utilised. Generally there is a lack of fenced, off-lead areas, also a lack of water at some dog parks. McAlister Park should be retained as a dog exercise areas, its seldom used as a sportfield due to it being a very wet area. Poo bins should be in all exercise areas. Sinage is generally poor.
314	Heather	McKenzie	All sports areas for other forms of recreation except dog walking get bins - why not dogs and their owners? I appreciate this has cost, however Council clears other sports areas rubbish bins and have staff equiped to do this, Please extend same level of facilities to dog owners.
315	Roger	Conway	Dogs can significantly disturb the neighbourhood peace when walked along the street and they pass other dogs. I believe Council should limit the number os dogs to one, with two permitted only if there is room on the property.
316	Justine	Lord	Given that the South Coast from Lyall Bay to Owhiro Bay has recently been declared a Marine reserve I am astounded that it is suggested dog be allowed off leash to Island Bay and Owhiro Bay Beaches. Best option would be to allow dogs off leash past the new information centre to on the gravel beach by the old quarry.
317	Jillian	Campbell-Board	Owners should be registered as well or instead of the dog. Install poop bag stands at strategic points in dog walking areas. Lyall Bay Beach should be off leash area during winter months. I am suggesting friendlier dog walking times could be found on all beaches. There should be more off leash areas for dogs as it improves their social interaction and they become less aggressive around other dogs as a result. leashes create territorial behaviour around their owners.
318	Gordon	Brennan	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
319	Peter	Noble	I oppose Owhiro Bay as an off leash area. I do support the area around the red rocks being off leash.
320	Kedron	Parker	Please do not make Owhiro Bay an off leash area. I think dog should be allowed on the beach on-leash with off leash areas around the red rocks.
321	Craig	Wilson	I would like to propose Dog owners who get their dogs desexed should receive a rebate on registration fees. Would like to see Council promote dog owners and neighbours talking if there is a problem with dogs and try to work out a reasonable and rational solution.
322	Karen	McCarthy	Points I want to talk to re Oral submission: Rubbish bins, RDO Policy, Specific times on park exercise areas, prohibited places, Kaiwharawhara Park, Site inspection fees
323	Karen	McCarthy	Ensure that dog exercise areas bear public safety in mind - for both dog and non-dog owners, with illumination of these areas, with the installation of bins. The Council should review some current prohibited areas (namely sportfields) in relation to current usage.
324	Bruce	Popplewell	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
325	Richard	Armstrong	I would like to see Mt Albert field continue as a mountain bike area.
326	Simon	Marsh	Worsler Bay exercise area should be an exercise area as planned however outside daylight saving time it be an exercise area at all times. Where offences of dog not on leash and not carry a leash in public place do not pose a danger to public and wildlife a warning should be issued for first time offence.
327	JJ	Cozens	The policy objective to 'recognise the community benefits of dog ownership', but the benefits are all personal - and for only 8% of the population! It would be unacceptable to implement a policy that would meet the interests of a very small minority of Wellington.
328	Joyce	Wellings	Not much
329	Benjamin	Lampard	The Councils attitude is clearly quite unsupportive of dog owners. Please support dog owners by letting dogs on public transport, providing poo bags at popular dog walking areas, providing better lighting at dog exercise areas and allowing dogs to pass through CBD.
330	Kavita	Patel	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
331	Malcolm	Packer	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
332	Stephen	Holloway	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
333	Cherry	Thompson	I would like to see as many off leash areas as possible. Agree with Owhiro Bay as an off-leash area.
334	Rebecca	Anderson	We need as many exercise areas as possible. Areas need to be large enough that owners can exercise their dogs away from each other. Responsible dog owners can share sportfields without negatively impacting on their use for sports.

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335	Sheila	Natusch	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
336	Arthur & Rhonda	Graves	Do not particularly like the Dog Policy - it is restrictive and discriminatory.
337	Sophie	Mormede	There has been talk of fining dog owners walking without poo bags - I support this. Ian Glloway Park should be increased to include part next to BMX park, and lighting on winter.
338	Sam	Winslow	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
339	E	Wallace	This Policy is about how owners of dogs should or should not control their dogs so it should be dog owners policy. If there is \$100,000 for a dog park, this money would be better spent to encourage people to desex their dogs. Problems come from too many dogs and not enough good owners.
340	Ann	Jacobs	There is inadequate monitoring and enforcement of the rules at existing dog exercise areas. New areas should only be considered when enforcement in existing areas is sufficient.
341	Peter	Reimann	The Group suggests the Policy define 'under control' more fully, we also suggest that reference to muzzling of aggressive dogs be given greater prominence. Re Telissick Park 0 if the Council intends to retain and enforce the 'on lead' regulation, the number of people using the park will be considerably reduced. If council so intends, there should be signs at the park entrances and on the main tracks where they cross exercise areas to the on lead part of the park. . Signage should say that excreta must be collected and disposed of away from the park.
342	Ishani	Noble	We Oppose the change to Owhiro Bay beach being off leash. Main concerns are: Unleashed Dogs running ahead of their owners. Reduces ability to enjoy local surroundings. Safety of Children walking , rising bikes without being chased.
343	David	Craig	We are against the idea of the beaches listed becoming official dog exercise areas. We believe a good exercise area would be the bay beyond the Owhiro Bay vistors Centre.
344	Amanda	Calder	There needs to be more off leash dog exercise areas in the central city area. Magpie lawn in botanical gardens would be a suitable area.
345	Miraz	Jordan	I strongly approve of doggy playground proposal. I believe all official off leash areas should have rubbish bins. I am dismayed at the amount of litter the dogs and I have to negotiate on every walk, some of it potentially hazardous, the broken glass they may walk on is another problem. I am concerned at the amount of money that must have been spent on producing the consultation documents, that money could have been spent on providing better facilities.
346	Janet	Knox	Submitter responded to feedback form questions only. No specific additional comments provided.
347	Barbara	Hickey	I agree with the aim of the policy. An important part of caring for a dog is giving them sufficient exercise, in younger dogs this is often achieved in off leash activities. There are no off leash areas in Kelburn where I live, I am of the view that the absence of an off leash area results in the policy failing to meet the needs of Kelburn Dog Owners.
348	Beverley	Short	WCC is anti dog and dog owners are made to feel they are being punished for having a dog. There are no nice areas in Karori to walk your dog off leash. Walking dogs on a lead does not make them fit or happy. I suggest you start thinking about the needs of dog owners and dogs - bot just the people who dont have or dont like dogs.
349	Alison	Pringle	Would like to see the arera from north end of Hector St in Seatoun round the coast to Point Dorset/Breaker Bay an off leash dog exercise area at all times.
350	Julia	Maiden	Dog destination park a step in the right direction. There are new dog exercise areas but still a lack of safe areas to run dogs in. Many areas are bounded by busy roads. I would like to see some of the smaller/dangerous exercise areas fenced. Newtown park - an unsed area of scrub was identified that had some existing fencing and could have been made a safe exercise area. If council wishes to keep dogs from obvious exercise areas (playing fields etc) then i feel it is required to provide adequate, safe places to run the dogs.
351	Kirstie	Knowles	I support the need for dog owners to have accessible areas to exercise their dogs, however the introduction of increased coastal areas with unrestricted off leash access is a concern.
352	Salena	Davie	I disagree with the offleash proposal for Owhiro Bay beach, the area is a popular walking route for parents and children and also it is a marine reserve.
353	Peter	Mason	Wgtn SPCA supports in general the draft policy but would like to make the following points: Off leash exercise areas require fencing to provide a safe environment for dogs using them. Dog Faeces bins in dog exercise areas. Wgtn SPCA seeks an exemption which would allow SPCA vetted dogs, leashed and under the control of SPCA trained personnel access to prohibited public places. Registration fees for SPCA-adopted puppies - Council could consider waving the first years registration fee for dogs and puppies adopted from Wgtn SPCA.
354	Deidre	Burke	Trelissick Park - I would like to request Trelissick park be classified as an exercise area. Signage at the entranmces to the park signal the requirement for dogs to be under control or their walker or on a lead. Signage signal the requirement for dog walkers to collect and remove dog poo from the park.
355	Mary	Shadbolt	Animal control does not appear to enforce existing restrictions.
356	Jan	Voss	Like shift in attitude to recognise value of dogs to wider community. Online survey doesn't provide enough space to make full comments on questions

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357	Jenny	Lynch	Beach exercise area - Owhiro Bay: Allowing introduction of unrestricted off leash access to Owhiro Bay there is potential conflict between unleashed dogs and little blue penguins and shorebirds in this area. It should remain an on leash area. Prohibited Public Places: Where dog are prohibited there should be signage and sufficient policing to make this effective. Wgtn Forest and Bird suggest restrictions or at least signage be put in place from Moa Point to the intersection of Stewart Duff Drive and Moa Point Road to reduce likelihood of blue penguin and dog conflict.
358	Karen	Belt	I am very impressed with the more balanced approach to dog ownership. I support the new introductory text in clause 2.0 and the new text in clause 3.1 other than text on public complaints - I think it unwise to commit to an unfixable time frame and do not think dog complaints should be privileged over other complaints. I think it should be possible for dogs to be walked around the perimeter of sportsfields on leash, also if it is not game season then dogs should be allowed off leash. Karori Cemetery - I do not understand why a dog coming into contact with a grave is a greater concern than possums or birds, also people walking their dogs through cemetery discourages vandalism. It would be fair if there was one good swimming beach which dog owners can take their dogs to, this would give families with dogs the chance of a day at the beach.
359	Guy	Beatson	Proposed change to Kaiwharawhara Park is unfair. It is not necessary to make the park prohibited all the time - only when sports events are scheduled.
360	G	Mickell	I am disappointed at the quality of off leash exercise areas in Karori. Is the future of this Policy that to exercise our dogs off leash we have to drive to a suitable park? We strongly support removing dog waste and the need to carry a means of disposal with you - by increasing enforcement by using animal control or walkwise staff.
361	Susie	Tocker	Wellington is not very dog friendly, most of the dog exercise areas are very small. Karori Cemetery should allow dogs to be walked off leash within set hours, this would not affect other users and works well on beaches.
362	Phil	Lyth	NZ Kennel Club asks WCC to recognise their 'Canine Good Citizen' programme in its dog policy. This promotes responsible dog ownership and owner education.
363	Kerry	Hadaway	
364	Kate	Neill	Its great to see Council recognising benefits of dog ownership, and increasing access for dog owners to many areas, also like idea of Dog destination park, AS a rate payer I pay for sportsfields etc and never use them so there is a valid argument for rates to pay for dog park. I am unhappy McAlister Park is being removed as an exercise area, like most owners I would like the opportunity to walk my dog off leash for a decent distance, many dog parks are too small to be useful.
365	CS	Dawe	RDO - questions about dog welfare for first time owners and those who have had a dog confiscated. Destination Dog Park - Sports parks are paid for via general rates whether people use them or not, so should dog parks. Exercise areas - could some of these be fenced off from roads.
366	Siv B	Fjaerestad	Glad significant improvement has been made to increasing dog exercise areas. Public transport - I would like to be able to travel on public transport with my dog, why should people with dogs be forced to add to traffic and pollution, people who want to take their dog on a train or bus would train them to behave appropriately. As a Wellington dog owner I pay high registration fees for what I regard as very few benefits, I would like to know what the annual fee goes towards?
367	Michael	Taylor	Concerning cost of providing bins for disposal of dog faeces, the policy should include that cost. Island Bay beach should remain an on leash area.
368	Vivien	Reid	I oppose making Owhiro Bay and off leash exercise area.
369	Margaret	Davis	No dogs be allowed on the Eastern end of Island Bay beach at all times. Dogs permitted to exercise on the Western end of Island bay beach (pier to lighthouse) April - September at all times.
370	Theresa	Polglase	Seatoun beach - Aqplaud proposal to create new dog exercise area at Te Kopahou, would be a great benefit if Hector St to Point Dorset was a full time off leash area also. Destination Dog Park - Would love to see a dog park in Wellington with agility equipment, rubbish bins, water taps, parking and fenced area and lighting. Odell reserve - Council could easily provide a fenced dog exercise area by extending the exercise area status to include flat area above reservoir. Tinakori Hill - would be good if exercise area could be extended down to the gate at the southern end of the hill. Trellissick Park - I support the proposal to extend the allocated dog area. Izard Park - the whole area could be dog exercise area. I strongly support better lighting in Dog exercise areas.
371	Nelson	Procter	Unimpressed with Dog Control policy and agree with Lynly Boniface that Council resents dogs, hires more people than required to do the job. It is difficult to see what a dog owner gets back in return for the \$100+ registration fee paid annually. Requiring owners to remove and dispose of dog faeces is fine but how does one immediately dispose of the package? What recourse to appeal does the recipient of an infringement notice receive? Dogs are guardians of their patch, I don't want to be persecuted if my dog barks furiously when in the dog's eyes someone has invaded their front door step.
372	C	McKee	You recognise the need for dogs to have exercise, and the best exercise is off lead - we need an exercise area nearby and the area from the end of Hector Street south to Point Dorset is a perfect place for dog exercise. I am in full time employment like many others and wish to be able to exercise our dogs, it is unrealistic to suggest people walk after midnight.

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373	Mike	McKee	RDO - All dog owners should be required to be responsible for their dogs not just those who want to pay less fees. I do not agree with RDO status people being asked questions about looking after dogs - all dog owners should be asked the same questions. TU up to now the policy has been to protect 92% of non dog owners from the 8% of dog owners. This is wrong attitude as it assumes having a dog is a problem. Maybe approach in a different way a) dogs are beneficial to families who have them and society b) people who have dogs should be responsible c) responsible dog owners care for and exercise their dogs daily d) the best exercise for dogs and their owners is off the leash e) best time and place to walk in their their lifestyle so timing of dog exercise areas should reflect this f) responsible dog owners are responsible for their dogs on and off the leash. To ensure WCC is meeting the needs of all its citizens I suggest a committee group be formed of dog owners from each ward with Council officials to look at the criteria for ownership, facilities and review. I am in favour of allowing Dog in the CBD on a leash as in other suburban areas. I am in favour of Dogs in Waitangi park on a leash. I would like to see WCC encouraging the use of public t
374	Louise & Gina	Dooley & deGraaff	Currently in a recession it is surprising Council would choose this time to promote spending \$100,000 on a dog park. If this does proceed it should be funded through dog registration fees not general rates.
375	Julieanna	Preston	We welcome the shift in tone however policy is cumbersome and unwieldy in length, vocabulary and discipline. The real issue is those people who do not care for their dogs properly, train them, or manage their animals so these animals become a danger to community. We reject the punitive nature of the policy and suggest that there are better ways to target the real offenders - owners who do not register their dogs or who have dogs of breeds known for aggressive behaviour. Tarakena Bay Beach is listed as prohibited public place - - there are currently no signs indicating this. We also request that Council have all bait fully removed from dog exercise areas immediately and the practise of laying poison in these areas abandoned. We are pleased dog community can continue to access Lyall bay beach however we believe more needs to be done to prioritise access for dogs there and remind people it is a Dog beach first and foremost. Restricted access times - midnight to 9am are ridiculous. Council organise for a local dog club to run behavioural class for dogs and their owners. Serve dog owners as well as you have skateboarders. RDO process and passing test is ridiculous - smacks of trying to manage and control rather than instill best practice
376	Elizabeth	Tomlinson	Providing more and larger exercise areas is a step in the right direction. At present a number of exercise areas are unsuitable e.g BMX track at Ian Galloway Park. On leash at Karori Cemetery is unnecessary. Dog walkers bring benefits to the area in terms of vandalism control.
377	Fiona	Morris	If dogs are on-leash what is the potential conflict with other users of Waitangi Park? It is already too hard to get RDO status
378	Jane	Federle	Karori Cemetery should have a designated area for off-lead. Dog registration rates are already at a premium, where are these fees going? The money should be put towards improving facilities and towards dedicated dog area. Also who walks their dog at midnight.
379	Kris	Erickson	I support overall intent of the Dog Policy but consider the wording of some clauses to be open to misinterpretation. I seek section 3.2 Wildlife be revised to include Miramar Peninsular. Section 4.1.3 Prohibited places relating to seal colony strictriacts for sinclair head and south coast be retained. I oppose following beaches being dog exercise areas: Te Kopahou, Owhiro Bay, Evans Bay Beach, Little Karaka Bay beach and Seatoun Beach, because these areas have suitable habitat for little blue penguins. I have no concerns re Island Bay beach as dogs off leash will not have any adverse affects on the marine reserve here.
380	Pip	Oldham	I am please dog owners can now walk through the city to the waterfront. I am pleased to see additional dog exercise areas, however none have been added in Kelburn, I would like to suggest Magpie Lawn in the Botanic Gardens.
381	Emma	Maxwell	I would like to see Magpie Lawn become a dog exercise area.