



POLICY:

Any person wanting to keep more than two (2) dogs on their non-residential premises, or in the case of working dogs, more than four (4), they must apply to the Chief Executive Officer for a kennel licence.

1. Kennel Licences will not be issued within the Pontville Village Overlay or on land within a Residential zone.
2. New Kennel Licences will not be issued for more than twenty (20) dogs, except in cases where Council grants special dispensation after reviewing relevant reports from Council Officers.

The land area guide for up to 20 dogs is:-

0.5 - 2.0 ha for 3 - 4 dogs

2.0 - 5.0 ha for 5 - 7 dogs

5.0 - 10.0 ha for 8 - 10 dogs

Greater than 10 ha for 11 - 20 dogs.

3. Before a licence for more than ten (10) dogs is issued, applicants must be able to demonstrate to Council that they have the time, resources and ability to satisfactorily maintain the number of dogs of the specified breed(s) on their application.
4. The Kennel Licence Application Information Package outlines the minimum standards acceptable by Council for housing all breeds of dogs.
5. Any individual holding a Kennel Licence who is found guilty of cruelty to a dog or of illegally encouraging a dog to chase, harass or kill another animal will have their Licence subjected to review, and in certain cases, may be revoked.
6. Kennel renewals that are not paid by 31st August each year may be cancelled.
7. That the Director, Governance & Regulatory Services be given delegated authority to renew Kennel Licences after receiving and considering appropriate reports from Council Officers. All recommended refusals are to be referred to Council for determination.
8. That the Director, Governance & Regulatory Services be given delegated authority to issue Kennel Licences for up to seven (7) domestic dogs, provided no objections have been received during the public notification period.
9. All other Kennel Licence applications shall be referred to and determined by Council.

Information relating to kennel licence application process, licence conditions and kennel requirements can be found in Dog Management Policy 4.8.

LEGISLATION:

Dog Control Act 2000

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS:

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Being the General Manager as appointed by Brighton Council
pursuant to Section 61 of the *Local Government Act 1993*