

Animal Management Survey

Far North District Council is asking residents to share their views on how dogs and other animals are managed across the district.

We welcome open and honest feedback to help us improve animal management services. However, we ask that all comments be respectful and constructive. Feedback that includes derogatory, racist, discriminatory, or personally offensive language will not be considered as part of this consultation.

Submissions close on **Sunday 14 September 2025**

Section A - Your Experience

Are you a dog owner?*

☐ Yes

☐ No

Have you interacted with the council's Animal Management Team within the last two years?*

☐ Yes - positive

☐ Yes - negative

☐ No interaction

If yes, please tell us in a few words about your interaction.

How satisfied are you with how the council manages dogs in your area?*



What are the biggest concerns you have regarding dog-related issues in your community?*



Select all that apply

☐ Lack of enforcement

☐ Aggressive/dangerous dogs

☐ Roaming dogs

☐ Barking/nuisance dogs

☐ Unregistered dogs

☐ Poor public education

☐ Other (please explain)

Section B - Responsible Dog Ownership

Do you believe most dog owners in your area are responsible owners?*

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Not sure

What would help improve responsible dog ownership in your community?*

Select top 3

- ☐ More education campaigns
- ☐ School or community-based programmes
- ☐ Better enforcement
- ☐ More affordable registration fees
- ☐ Desexing and microchipping incentives
- ☐ Payment plans for registration fees
- ☐ Other (please explain)

Section C - Service Improvement

Which of the following would you like to see the council do more of?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Offer online training or info sessions for dog owners
- ☐ Share positive stories about dog rescues or responsible owners
- ☐ More enforcement against irresponsible owners
- ☐ Increase patrols in known roaming areas
- ☐ Provide education through social media
- ☐ Hold more pop-up info events or dog registration drives
- ☐ Work with all community groups on dog safety and welfare
- ☐ Other (please explain)

Do you support the idea of a Responsible Dog Owner Licence?*

This could offer reduced registration fees for those who complete certain requirements.

☐ Yes

☐ No

Section D - Final Comments

Do you have any other suggestions or comments that could help improve council's Animal Management services?

About you

First name*

Last name

Organisation (if applicable)

Position in organisation (if applicable)

Email address*

Phone number

Which ward do you live in?*

☐ Bay of Islands-Whangaroa (East)

☐ Kaikohe-Hokianga (West)

☐ Te Hiku (North)

☐ Outside Far North

What town do you live in?*

Would you like to be informed about future consultations via email?*

☐ Yes

☐ No

Privacy Statement*

Anyone is invited to submit feedback on this consultation, whether as an individual or on behalf of an organisation, however, any submissions that are out of scope, offensive, inappropriate, or late may not be accepted by the council. You will be notified if your decision is not accepted and, where appropriate, invited to resubmit.

Any submissions made become part of the public consultation process. The collection and use of personal information by the Far North District Council is regulated by the Privacy Act 2020. Please note that your submission or a summary of your submission will be treated as public information and may be published on the council's website and made available to elected members and members of the public as part of the consultation process.

Your name and contact details (address, phone number, email) will only be used for administrative purposes - such as the council contacting you to update you on the outcome of this consultation and letting you know about future consultations.

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I confirm that I have read and understood this Privacy Statement

Confidentiality

If you also wish your name to be treated as confidential, please confirm by ticking the box below. (NOTE: verbal submissions will be heard in an open Council meeting and cannot be treated as confidential).

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Yes, please keep my name confidential