

## Keep your details up-to-date

Keep your details up to date by letting us know if:

- you have moved house
- got a new phone number
- the pet has passed away
- the pet has been rehomed
- the pet has been surrendered to the pound.

Having an up-to-date database can help reunite the pet with its owner.

## Dog obedience training

At various times throughout the year the German Shepherd Dog Club and the Wiltja Dog Obedience Club offer training. You will have to attend an obedience course to obtain the certificate.

For more information contact:

German Shepherd Club	0488 480 480
Wiltja Dog Club	0424 452 366

## Local vet services

Bundoora Vet Clinic	9467 2255
Green Cross Vets	9407 2000
High Street Epping Vet Clinic	9408 9000
Mill Park Vet Clinic	9404 4911
Our Vet South Morang	9437 8500
Our Vet Thomastown	9474 3655
The Vet Practice South Morang	9437 7777
The Vet Practice Whittlesea	9716 2495

*\*Council does not warrant services provided by these businesses.*

## More animal information

For more news and information and Animal Management please visit the City of Whittlesea website [whittlesea.vic.gov.au](http://whittlesea.vic.gov.au)



City of  
Whittlesea

# City Safety and Amenity Animal Management

Important information  
for animal owners

### Council Offices

25 Ferres Boulevard  
South Morang VIC 3752

Locked Bag 1  
Bundoora MDC VIC 3083

**Tel** 03 9217 2170

**Fax** 03 9217 2111

**TTY** 133 677 (ask for 9217 2170)

**Email** [info@whittlesea.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@whittlesea.vic.gov.au)  
[whittlesea.vic.gov.au](http://whittlesea.vic.gov.au)

Free telephone interpreter service

 131 450



## Pet ownership and the law

### Registration

Dogs and cats must be registered from three months of age. This is a Victorian Government requirement under the *Domestic Animal Act 1994*. Registering at a young age ensures that lost puppies and kittens can be returned to their owners.

### Microchipping

The Victorian Government requires all newly registered cats and dogs to be permanently identified through a microchip implant. Council is unable to accept any **new** registrations without proof of microchipping, this also includes animals transferring in from other Councils.

### Registration tag

Dogs and cats are required by law to be registered with Council annually and must wear a valid registration tag. Fines can apply for animals not wearing a valid registration tag. Without a valid registration tag or microchip, the process of reuniting you and your pet is very difficult.

### Multiple numbers of dogs or cats

If you want to have three or more cats or dogs on your property you must apply for an Excess Animal Permit **before** you take ownership of the third pet. Please contact Council's Animal Management Team or check online for more information.

### Dog poo

Cleaning up after your dog is the law. When out walking your dog, please take the necessary items, such as a pooper scooper and pick up your pooch's poo.

## Off-leash parks

Council has seven off-leash parks throughout the City of Whittlesea and there are plans to introduce more. Some parks include agility equipment and are designed to give dogs great physical exercise.

- Take the necessary items to clean up your dog's poo.
- Ensure you supervise your dog at all times.
- Please be aware that you are responsible for the actions of your dog.

OFF-LEASH PARK	ADDRESS
Whittlesea Gardens	Barry Road, Thomastown
Delacombe Reserve	Delacombe Drive, Mill Park
Lyndarum Wetlands	Manor House Drive, Epping
Creek Park	Corner Mernda Village Drive and Plenty Road, Mernda
Fitzwilliam Park	Corner Fitzwilliam Drive and Hamlin Street, Doreen
Whittlesea	Laurel Street, Whittlesea
Norris Bank	McLeans Road, Bundoora
Redleap Reserve	5W Redleap Ave, Mill Park

Keep your dog **on its lead** in public areas, unless in a designated off-leash park.

## Reduced fee registration

At least one of the following criteria must be met to be eligible for the reduced pet registration fee:

- desexing (a certificate must be provided)
- over 10 years of age (proof must be provided)
- association memberships
- certified obedience training
- working dogs
- animal part of a Domestic Animal Business.

## Epping Animal Welfare Facility

The RSPCA operates the Epping Animal Welfare Facility on behalf of the City of Whittlesea. This facility is located at 20 Companion Place, Epping. You can take any stray animals to the facility.

**Phone: 8401 6600**

### Opening hours:

- Monday, Wednesday and Friday – 11am to 7pm
- Tuesday and Thursday – 7am to 3pm
- Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays – 9am to 4pm

Closed Christmas Day and Good Friday.

## Animal Management

Council's Animal Management team provides a range of services:

### Weekdays 8.30am-5pm

**Phone: 9217 2170**

- respond to wandering dogs
- collection of contained dogs or cats (must be restrained or unable to escape)
- respond to dog attacks
- help with injured dogs and cats
- attend to livestock on roads.

### After hours emergencies only (including weekends)

**Phone: 9217 2170**

- attend to injured animals
- respond to dog attacks
- attend to livestock on roads
- contained dogs between 7.30am-7pm.