

Info Note

Date: 9 May 2016

Subject: Proposed Local Laws

The following local laws are available for public comment from the commencement of the statutory processes required by the Local Government Act s.3.12 –

1. Cats Local Law 2016
2. Cemetery Local Law 2016
3. Dogs Local Law 2016
4. Meeting Procedures Local Law 2016
5. Parking Local Law 2016

Overview

The draft local laws have been prepared on the basis that the majority of the statutory processes will be carried out prior to the merger date, but the formal adoption of them will not occur until after 1 July 2016. Accordingly, all drafts are headed as *Shire of Narrogin*, and have been developed to apply to the whole of the district of the merged local government, both the future Urban Ward and the future Rural Ward and will be signed by the Chairman of Commissioners. .

Effect of Merger

Prior to merger date, only the existing local laws for each of the Shire and Town of Narrogin individually have effect. After merger, *Local Government (Constitution) Regulations* provides that the existing local laws to continue to have effect, until replaced.

On 1 July 2016, the merged Shire of Narrogin will be responsible to administering all local laws currently existing, and the current local laws may apply throughout the whole of the expanded district in some cases. As there are provisions in some existing local laws are not appropriate for the whole of the merged Shire, and there is significant potential for inconsistency, it is necessary that new provisions be put in place as early as possible.

Accordingly, the current Town after consultation with the current Shire has initiated these local laws, so that they can be made as soon as possible after merger date.

It is emphasised that the proposed local laws are not operative now, and will not come into effect until the completion of the statutory processes, including consideration of all public comment.

Submissions

Submissions are sought from both Town of Narrogin and Shire of Narrogin residents. Please refer to the advertisement titled "*Proposed Local Laws 2016*" for details.

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