7 November 2017

Resident

Dear Resident

**Consultation Outcome - St Clair – Open Space Dog Leash Review**

I write to you as a resident of St Clair to update you on the consultation that we undertook between 5 June and 25 June of 2017 regarding the open space dog leash laws within St Clair reserves (see enclosed map for exact location). The survey was sent to all occupied residential properties within St Clair as well as being available on the Council YourSay website.

The survey results are summarised below:

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| **Reserve**  | **Support for on lead** | **Support for off lead**  | **Support for dog free (prohibited)** | **Support for a combination of different times**  |
| **St Clair Oval 4** | 51(29%) | 87 (49%) | 22 (12%) | 16 (9%) |
| **St Clair Oval 3**  | 55 (39%) | 39 (28%) | 26 (18%) | 19 (13%) |
| **St Clair Oval 2** | 48 (34%) | 60 (43%) | 17 (12%) | 14 (10%) |

Based on what we have heard through community feedback and consultation with local sporting groups in the area are now proposing the following:

* Submitting a report to Council to declare St Clair Oval 4 and 3 to be made off leash reserves and St Clair Oval 2 as an on leash reserve.
* Submitting a report for Council to further declare that during sporting activates all dogs to be on a lead in all reserve areas.

Although survey results do favour a marginal greater support for dogs on lead for St Clair Oval 3, taking into consideration that this reserve is not separated from St Clair Oval 4 by a physical barrier such as a fence it would make education of the requirements and enforcement very difficult. It is therefore concluded in consultation with local community sporting groups that Oval 2 would be more suitable as a dog on lead space due to it being primarily used by sporting groups and local schools for sporting activities.

These survey results and recommendations will be presented to Council for consideration at a meeting on 27 November 2017. If you would like to make further comments in relation to this recommendation please e-mail council@charlessturt.sa.gov.au or phone 8408 1111.

Yours sincerely

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