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Precinct resolution

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ACTIONED TO: Mark Bush, Manager Waste, Cleansing and Public Safety

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 03052023(1)

Resolution:

Resolution 03035023(1): Could Randwick Council please advise what the correct course of action is for residents who find dog baits in Randwick LGA parks and reserves.

Council response:

Under section 15 of *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* it is considered an offence to intentionally administer or lay bait for an animal that contains a poison or substance that has a harmful effect.

Baiting incidents that result in the death of an animal, attract penalties of up to 250 penalty units which equate to $46,230, or 12-months imprisonment.

Suspected incidents of dog baiting should be immediately reported to NSW Police and/or RSPCA NSW.

Both agencies have officers authorised with investigatory powers under the relevant legislation.

While Randwick City Councils Rangers Services unit is not authorised officers under the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act* ***1979,*** if suspected baits are found or an incident has occurred it would be beneficial to notify Council so that appropriate patrols can be conducted of the affected area and warnings issued to the wider community.

Council contact

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10 May 2023