

Animal Management Bylaw Review Questions on bees - April 2019



Your feedback will help us review our Animal Management Bylaw 2015

Please e-mail your completed form to
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Name

E-mail

If you belong to any animal interest groups, clubs, committees or councils please list below:

The purpose of the Animal Management Bylaw is to provide for the ownership of animals in a way that protects the public from nuisance and maintains and promotes public health and safety.

Although the bylaw's focus is on protecting people and property, we also want to make sure we aren't encroaching on animal welfare rights or unreasonably inhibiting the ownership and enjoyment of animals in public spaces.

We would like to ask a few questions regarding the current bylaw controls on bees in urban areas.

The bee controls under the bylaw provide compulsory minimum standards for responsible beekeeping in urban areas so that concerns related to public health, safety and nuisance are managed.

Did you know that the Animal Management Bylaw has specific controls on bees?

Yes

No

Unsure

Bee Control #1 - Flight path management

Current bylaw control says:

Keeping of Bees Control - Flight path management

(1) Every person keeping bees in an urban area must take all reasonable steps to ensure beehives are positioned and managed in a way that has minimal impact to any other person.

Do you think the **Bee Control #1** needs to be changed?

	Yes, the controls should be more relaxed	No, the controls are about right	Yes, the controls should be stricter	I have no view/ I don't know
Bee Control #1				

Why did you say this?

Bee Control #2 - Bee management

Current bylaw control says:

Keeping of Bees Control - Bee management

(2) Every person keeping bees in an urban area must maintain honey bee colonies with a calm temperament and must take all reasonable steps to control swarming.

Do you think the **Bee Control #2** needs to be changed?

	Yes, the controls should be more relaxed	No, the controls are about right	Yes - the controls should be stricter	I have no view/ I don't know
Bee Control #2				

Why did you say this?

Bee Control #3 - Provision of water

Current bylaw control says:

Keeping of Bees Control - Provision of water

(3) Every person keeping bees in an urban area must ensure there is a suitable water source for the bees on the premises on which the beehives are kept.

Do you think the **Bee Control #3** needs to be changed?

	Yes, the controls should be more relaxed	No, the controls are about right	Yes, the controls should be stricter	I have no view/ I don't know
Bee Control #3				

Why did you say this?

Bee Control #4 - Bee excrement management

Current bylaw control says:

Keeping of Bees Control - Bee excrement management

(4) Every person keeping bees in an urban area must take all reasonable steps to minimise nuisance to any other person from bee excrement.

Do you think the **Bee Control #4** needs to be changed?

	Yes, the controls should be more relaxed	No, the controls are about right	Yes, the controls should be stricter	I have no view/ I don't know
Bee Control #4				

Why did you say this?

Licence to keep bees in a public place

The Animal Management Bylaw requires beekeepers to hold a licence to keep bees in a public place.

Do you think this rule needs to be changed?

Note: All beekeepers have a legal obligation to register their apiary under the Biosecurity (National American Foulbrood Pest Management Plan) Order 1998. Registrations are processed by AsureQuality Ltd.

Any other comments?

Is there anything else you would like to say regarding the Animal Management Bylaw 2015?

Thank you for completing this survey.

Auckland Council is required to review its bylaws periodically and your response will help us understand Aucklanders' experiences with animal nuisance and what the bylaw should cover.

If we identify any potential changes to the bylaw, we will engage further on what options to take.

Do you want your e-mail added to our contact list for further engagement on the Animal Management Bylaw review?

Yes No

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