

Chatham Islands Council

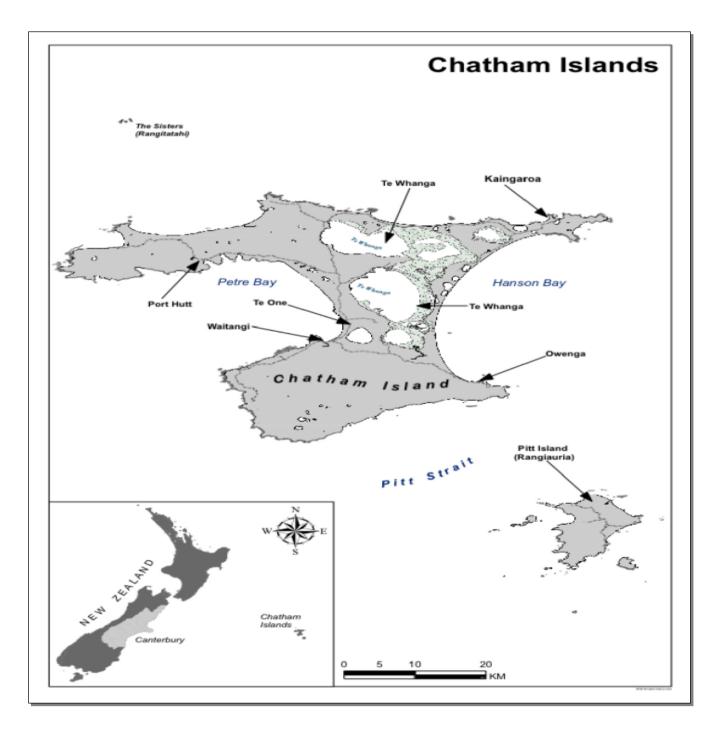
Dog Control Report for the year ending 30 June 2019



The Chatham Islands

The Chatham Islands and its people are a unique community, isolated by 800 kilometres of ocean from mainland New Zealand. The Chatham Islands consist of two main inhabited islands, Chatham Island and Pitt Island. Pitt Island lies 23km south east of Chatham Island and both islands are surrounded by a number of smaller islands, all within a radius of approximately 50km. The main island, Chatham, has an area of 90,000 hectares. Pitt Island has an area of 6,300 hectares.

There are five settlement areas on the main island - Waitangi, Te One, Owenga, Port Hutt and Kaingaroa. Pitt Island is a small rural community consisting of a small number of farms. Dog control is administered on both Chatham and Pitt Islands. All dogs within the Chatham Islands territory are classified as 'working dogs'.

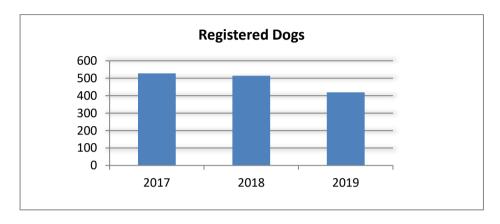


Dog Control Officer

The Chatham Islands Council employed two Dog Control Officers who were warranted under section 13 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

Dogs Registered as at 30 June 2019

There are 419 dogs registered as at 30 June 2019.



A total of 419 dogs were registered as at 30 June 2019, a decrease of 95 dogs since 2018.

Probationary and Disqualified Owners

There were no probationary or disqualified owners during the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Dangerous Dogs

There were no dangerous dogs reported during the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Menacing Dogs

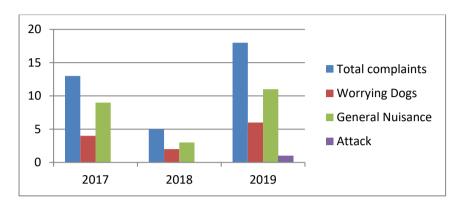
There were four menacing dogs reported during the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Dog Infringement Notices

There were no dog infringement notices issued during the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Dog Complaints

There were 18 complaints received during the financial year ending 30 June 2019. Six complaints related to worrying dogs and eleven complaints related to general nuisance dogs, there was also one incident of an attack on a human (resulting in the dogs being destroyed). There has been an increase in total dog complaints by 13 since 2018.



Prosecutions

There were no prosecutions during the financial year ending 30 June 2019.

Public Information

Council's Dog Control Bylaw 2002 is available at the Council office during working hours Monday – Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm. A copy can also be viewed on Council's website www.cic.govt.nz.

The Dog Control activity is reported annually in terms of performance and resident satisfaction through Council's Annual Report. Copies of this report can also be obtained at the Council Office and on Council's website www.cic.govt.nz.

Chatham Islands Dog Control Bylaw 2017 and Chatham Islands Dog Control Policy 2017

Council adopted the Chatham Islands Dog Control Bylaw and the Chatham Islands Dog Control Policy on 13th July 2017.