

Desexing your dog

Unless you specifically want to breed your animal, you may wish to decide to have your dog sterilised. Desexing your dog helps reduce the incidence of unwanted puppies and can also result in behavioural advantages. The most common age for desexing is three to six months. Your local veterinary surgeon can help you on this matter.

Dog Litter

To ensure our streets are kept clean for all residents and visitors it is important that you clean up after your dog.

Council's Local Law states that people walking their dog must also carry a means of disposal and discard dog poo appropriately. Ignoring this Local Law could result in an on-the-spot fine.

Pooper-scoopers and litterbins are in all off-leash parks throughout the City to help make cleaning up after your dog easier.

Council offers free POOch Pouches to dog owners in the municipality to help keep our City's beautiful tree-lined streets, parks and gardens free from dog litter. The handy pouches attach to your dog's lead and can be filled with plastic bags to clean up after your pet.

Dog litter is a nuisance for pedestrians and park users and contributes to the pollution of our local waterways. The handy POOch Pouch offers pet owners a clean and safe solution for cleaning up dog litter while walking their pet and can also be used to carry house keys and loose change.

The free pouches are available from Council's Customer Service Centres in Malvern and Prahran.

Registering your dog

All dogs (and cats) in Stonnington are required by State Government Legislation to be registered. The Domestic (Feral/Nuisance) Animals Act 1994 states that all pets over six months old must be registered on an annual basis before 10 April each year. The City of Stonnington provides free registration for puppies and kittens up to 12 months old.

Council issues registration renewals for dogs and cats in March each year. Registration tags are sent out with renewal notices. A registration tag must be attached to your pet's collar at all times. By registering your pets there is a much higher chance that if lost they will be returned home safely. Registration payments are accepted at:

Stonnington City Centre

Cnr Glenferrie Road and High Street, Malvern

Prahran Town Hall

Cnr Chapel and Greville Streets, Prahran

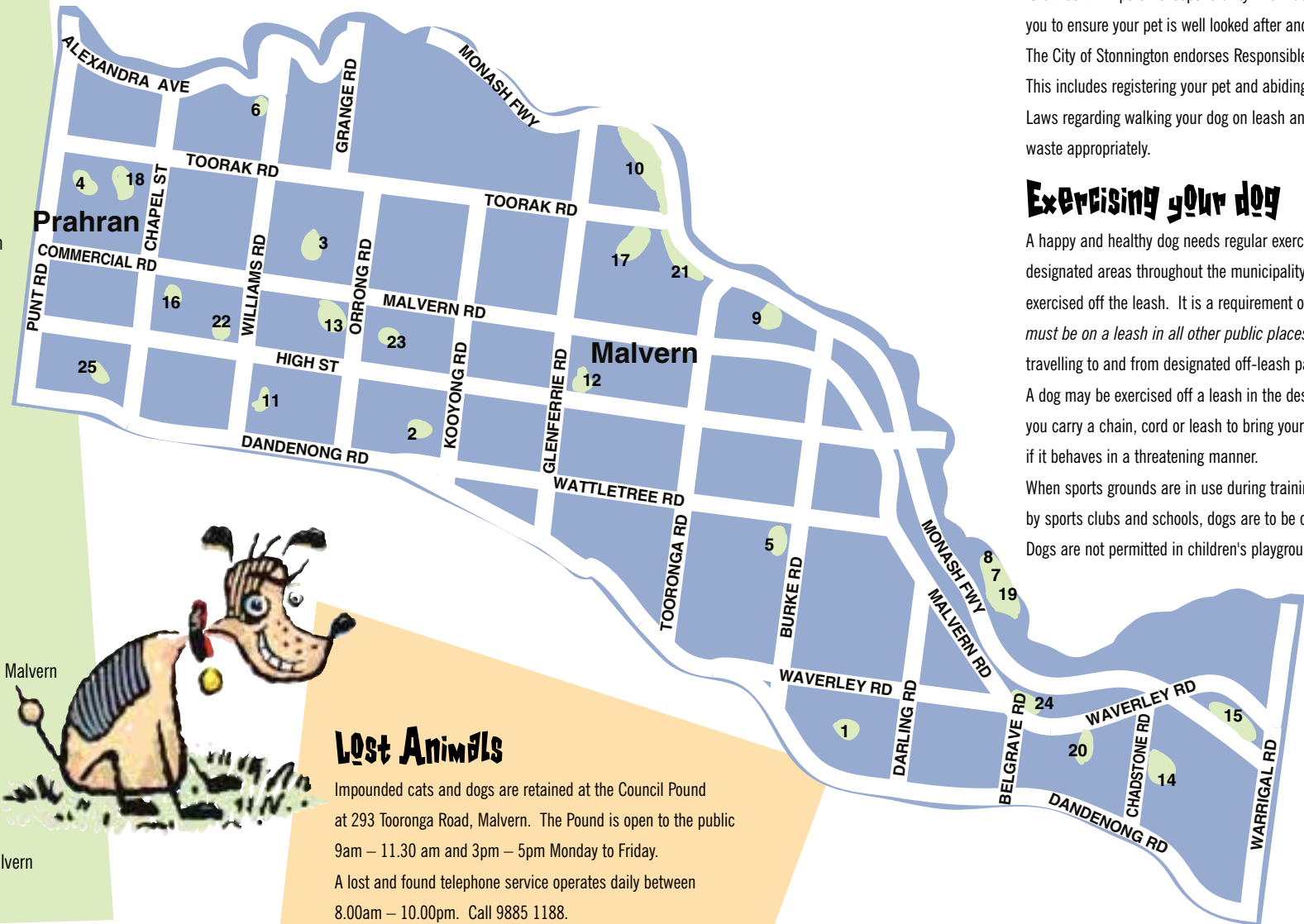
Current annual licence fees can be obtained by contacting Customer Service on 8290 1333 or email: council@stonnington.vic.gov.au.

Get off your leash!



COOL spots where dogs can exercise off their leash in the City of Stonnington

1. Ardrie Park Oval
Howard Street, East Malvern
2. Armadale Reserve
Sutherland Road, Armadale
3. Brookville Gardens
Fairbairn Road, Toorak
4. Caroline Gardens
Caroline Street South, South Yarra
5. Central Park (oval only)
Burke Road, East Malvern
6. Como Park
Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra
7. Darling Park
Maxwell Street, Glen Iris
8. DW Lucas Oval
Dunlop Street, Glen Iris
9. Gardiner Park
Carroll Crescent, Glen Iris
10. Kooyong Park
Glenferrie Road, Kooyong
11. Lumley Gardens
Eastern Half-Lumley Crescent, Prahran
12. Malvern Cricket Ground
High Street, Malvern
13. Orrong Romanis Reserve
Orrong Road, Prahran
14. Percy Treyvaud
Quentin Road, East Malvern
15. Peverill Park
Peverill Street, East Malvern
16. Princes Gardens
Essex Street, Prahran
17. Sir Robert Menzies Reserve
Toorak Road, Malvern
18. South Yarra Siding
William Street, South Yarra
19. Stanley Grose Reserve
Winton Road, East Malvern
20. Sydare Reserve
Southern Section, Waverley Road, East Malvern
21. Tooronga Park
Milton Parade, Malvern
22. Victoria Gardens sunken oval
High Street, Prahran
23. Victory Square
Ashleigh Road, Armadale
24. Waverley Oval
Malvern Road/Waverley Road, East Malvern
25. Windsor Siding on oval area
Union Street, Windsor



Owning a dog can be an enjoyable experience for the whole family. It is also an important responsibility. As a dog owner, it is up to you to ensure your pet is well looked after and has regular exercise. The City of Stonnington endorses Responsible Pet Ownership. This includes registering your pet and abiding by Council's Local Laws regarding walking your dog on leash and disposing of its waste appropriately.

Exercising your dog

A happy and healthy dog needs regular exercise. Council has 25 designated areas throughout the municipality where a dog may be exercised off the leash. It is a requirement of Council that dogs *must be on a leash in all other public places*, including when travelling to and from designated off-leash parks and reserves. A dog may be exercised off a leash in the designated area only if you carry a chain, cord or leash to bring your dog under control if it behaves in a threatening manner. When sports grounds are in use during training and match times by sports clubs and schools, dogs are to be on leash. Dogs are not permitted in children's playground areas at any time.

Lost Animals

Impounded cats and dogs are retained at the Council Pound at 293 Tooronga Road, Malvern. The Pound is open to the public 9am – 11.30 am and 3pm – 5pm Monday to Friday. A lost and found telephone service operates daily between 8.00am – 10.00pm. Call 9885 1188.

