

7. DANGEROUS DOGS

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Councillors will have seen media reports of an announcement regarding a new package of new dog control initiatives. These initiatives include a proposal to ban four breeds of dog and these changes, together with other changes proposed by the Government such as an increase in penalties, clarification of a dog control officer's powers to seize a dog on private property that has attacked or rushed a person, and micro-chipping, are to be included in a supplementary order paper of proposed amendments to the Local Government Reform No. 2 Bill which is currently before the Local Government and Environment Select Committee.

A detailed staff report on the proposals in the supplementary order paper will be before the June 2003 meeting of the Committee.

Chairman's Recommendation: That the information be received.