

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS
PROPOSAL: Dog Management Areas Advertised 2012

MAP 1 - WONNERUP & GEOGRAPHE

ENQUIRY NUMBER	ADDRESS	SUBMISSION
1	Layman Rd, Wonnerup	The Pocket Beaches in the photos below will remain in a some what similar state through out summer., not exactly the ideal location for people to swim. Since the beaches have not been mechanically cleaned up, people with dogs frequent the area at all times of the day, and as there are no people swimming or using the beach for any other purpose why restrict the use to before 8 AM and after 6 PM? The Wonnerup town site beach, immediately east of the seawall is a beach that is used by the community, when access can be gained, many of whom have dogs, there has never been a problem as the people who use this area have all shown a high level of responsibility for their dogs who in the main socialise very well. Suggestion: Make this area a dog friendly section of the beach, in fact I would be in favour of the whole town site beach being a dog friendly area. Photos attached to submission.
2	Casurina Drive, Busselton	Our nearest beach is from Freycinet to Morgan St. This beach is closed from Freycinet to Guerin from around June each year to November due to the seaweed build up and clearing. The only opportunity we get to exercise our dog on the beach is from November to when the beach becomes inaccessible again due to the seaweed around June. To restrict access and allow no dogs on this stretch of the beach for about 2 months of the year. Furthermore if you visited the beach you would know that it is hardly used for any other purposes and I'm sure many residents like us either walk a lot further up to swim and relax or drive to another beach. I cannot understand what the rationale is for closing it at all for dog exercising. If this change eventuates we will have nowhere for ourselves and our dog to keep fit and healthy together. I most strongly object to your proposal and hope that you listen and leave the beach a dog exercise beach all year round at anytime.
3	Layman Rd, Wonnerup	I don't agree with the proposed exercise area for Wonnerup & Geographe on Map 1. I live at Layman Rd Wonnerup, we have two dogs that we exercise twice a daily on Wonnerup beach. The new proposal is going to restrict us considerably as we will have to take them much further up the beach. There are a lot of residents in this area that have dogs that regularly use this beach. There is also a holiday accommodation unit on Layman Rd that is pet friendly, this has regular guests staying that also make use of this beach. If these restrictions are put in place there are going to be a lot of rate paying residents that are going to be very disappointed not to mention the dogs! I would like to know the reasons for imposing these new restrictions, as I cannot see any real benefits to imposing these restrictions given where the access points are to access the beach for tourists coming down here to swim is not very practical. We have lived here since January & have rarely seen swimmers use this beach. We do however see at least 10 dogs being exercised daily, which our dogs have made friends with. They will be very disappointed if this is discontinued. I look forward to your response.
4	Email address provided	The current dog exercise area from Freycinet Drive to Guerin Street is the most appropriate use of area for this purpose. The proposal to change this area to (included within proposal marked from Captain Baudin Reserve to Morgan Street) is not the best option proposed for the following reasons: 1) the hours and dates restricts the area for the majority of users - the period is far too long. The hours are too restrictive for effective exercising of dogs. And you can't use the beach much anyway in those periods due to weed build up. 2) The area between Morgan & Russell St as the closest exercise area greatly disadvantages those who live in the Baysdie area between Freycinet & Guerin Streets. 3) The beach in question is only suitable for dog exercise most of the year. Swimming at this beach is hazardous to both humans and animals due to the build up of seagrass, mechanical removal and the remaining odour of the ocean. Therefore I maintain that this current area is imminently more suitable for a dog exercise area. Most probably, this is the only use for this area. Of course if this beach ever be clean enough for humans and animals to swim all year around then perhaps a more restrictive period could be introduced. However the hours of 8am - 6pm are far too restrictive.

5	Gannet Court, Geographe	<p>Area C - proposed new dog exercise area is too small. This non-restricted area is only 500 metres long which is not an adequate area/ distance to exercise medium and large dogs properly, as they need to be able to run a distance when off the lead to drain their energy.</p> <p>Area A – proposed new dog exercise area is too far away from the residential area. Most people would need to drive to area A. This will increase traffic in the locality as dog owners will be forced to drive their dogs where they can properly exercise them. Older dog owners who do not drive anymore may be unable to properly walk and exercise their dogs. This is an important health and social issue for many older residents.</p> <p>Area B & D – proposed dog restricted areas are too large. There are many dog owners who would like to go to the beach with their dogs during the summer months as they view them as an important part of their family. It would be more applicable to make the proposed restricted areas (B & D) smaller and the proposed non - restricted area (C) larger, so that everyone can enjoy going to the beach, including dog owners.</p> <p>Area B & D – proposed dog restriction times (8am – 6pm) are very impractical times for people with a full-time job and/or children. Walking your dog before 8am is almost impossible for parents as they need to get their children ready for school. Many parents walk their dogs after 9am once their children are in school. Walking your dog after six is also impractical for parents and people who work alike. 6pm is a typical time to prepare dinner and many dog owners would be trying to walk their dogs prior to 6pm. A more generous time restriction would be more suitable for many owners e.g. 10.00am to 3.30pm</p>
6	Geographe Bay Road Busselton	<p>We - my husband and myself reside on Geographe Bay Road - East of the Jetty, and more or less opposite a carpark and walkway to the beach. We have 2 small dogs which my husband walks daily on the beach - usually between 7.30am and 8am. We are retired. Daily we witness the number of people who walk their dogs before work on the beach - usually the most between 6am and 8am. So what will the proposed new laws mean? The new dog exercise area management proposal for morning walkers will mean, that all dog owners who walk after 8am from the Jetty to Port Geographe can actually only use the Russell Street to Morgan Street strip of beach. The only decent piece of beach of beach in East Busselton. So all these people - mainly older people who do not have to hurry and can walk their dogs at any time they fancy now - from the jetty east - will in fact have to load up their dog and drive to Russell Street or Morgan Street daily. So everyone with a dog that used to walk after 8am from the areas either side of Russell and Morgan Street will supposedly have to drive to this location to exercise their dog. Parking? Further to this, this little section of beach actually becomes an all day, everyday dog beach - how good will that be in the summer with all the families on the beach with children? Many dog owners do not clean up after their dogs as we all know, who will police the onlead policy or will these dogs run free? What is wrong with the way it all works right now? Really do hope the Busselton City - Chief Executive Officer has a good look at this and hopefully reviews the proposal which cannot or should not go ahead.</p>
7	Dotterell Cres, Busselton	Fully supported. Beach toward Port Geographe too weedy and machines there so having this section able to have dogs is an excellent idea.
8	Dotterell Cres, Geographe	It's good for all dog owners and locals to know what areas are ok to have off the leash. The times are good as well so it respects tourists with families and the place where dogs can be off leash at all times are good so the owners and dogs can still swim.
9	Ballarat Road, Wonnerup	The hours should be extended to all year around rather than from Dec-April
10	Cassellton Loop Geographe	OBJECT: I wish to strongly oppose the creation of a dog exercise area between Morgan Street and Russell Street, Geographe (Map 1 - Zone C) I have 2 young children age 5 and 8 and we frequent this area as it is directly in front of a walkway from Marine Terrace. The area is often busy with small children and I believe this will create a dangerous situation with uncontrolled dogs. My 5 year old is already terrified by all dogs and will not ever want to go to the beach if there is some likelihood of roaming dogs. The area is calm and shallow - perfect for kids. I believe the dog exercise area should be the other side of the marina. I am happy for the area to be a restricted dog area, as the times are reasonable that small children will not be on the beach at that time.
11	Spinnaker Blvd, Geographe	I believe you do need some "dog free" beaches but also a fair mix of dog exercise beaches as well. The beaches between Wonnerup and the port side marina groyne are only used by fishermen and dog owners as it usually is unsuitable for swimming. The council do not even remove the seaweed. I believe this area should be kept available for dog owners all of the time.
12	Spinnaker Blvd, Geographe	The beaches along Spinnaker Blvd are not able to be used by us for swimming because the council does not keep them clean and free of weed. Our dog however loves her daily swim. Until such time as the Council maintains our beaches and keeps them clean and free of weed our dogs should have the freedom of a swim especially on hot summer days. The only people I meet when out walking my dog in this area, right down to Wonnerup, are other dog owners. Even in the height of summer there are very few people on these beaches.
13	Spinnaker Blvd, Geographe	The current beaches are only used by those of us with dogs as the 2 bays are not cleared of weed. Very few people visit the end of town as no shops or accommodation. Even if you cleared our beaches 95% of people we meet on our 2 x daily walks have a dog with them and they are socialised & well behaved. Dogs are very important for older people's mental health and well being. The proposal would mean driving a considerable distance to exercising dogs, defeating the whole purpose of WALKING the dog. Having just returned from the USA, dogs are welcome in 5 star hotels in most cities. We seem to be on this anti-dog brigade. Let's not forget the big picture companionship and co-operation.
14	Spinnaker Blvd, Geographe	The waterfront along Spinnaker Blvd are totally unusable for swimming due to the seaweed build up currently only the dog owners and fishermen use these areas. Considering Port Geo is amongst the highest rating and Port Geographe levy the seaweed and lack of landscaping to our area leave us to think we are the poor relations within the City of Busselton.
15	Pluver Crt, Geographe	Since we can't use the beach for 6 months of the year due to build up of sea weed and then have to put up with the noise of the removal until end of November. I feel it is very unfair then turn it into a restricted area for exercising our dogs. I strongly disagree with this proposal.

16	Wonnerup Residents Association	Submission of 50 signatures to have the dog exercise area go from the Eastern end of Spinnaker Blvd all the way to the Capel shire border. Please see full petition on ECM
17	Donald Way, Geographe	Dogs should be able to walk off the lead in the virtually unused area of Port Geographe.
18	Bignell Drive, Busselton	I have no objections to these restrictions at all. My preference is to walk my dog early morning to avoid the heat during the summer months. People should not walk their animals on hot pavement or sand during the heat of the day. These are extensive areas for dog exercise and should people wish to walk their pets between 8am and 6pm then they can simply transport their pets to a suitable area.
19	Marine Tce, Geographe	Suggest Dates for restricted 1 Dec - 28 Feb, times 10am-4pm, exercise area open from Georgette st to Fraycinet.
20	Stanford Drive, Abbey	Pleased to see greater area for dog access in abbey area. Restrictions on the Geographe side are too restrictive with time and area. Would like to see access on leads in the Jetty area.
21	PO Box , Busselton	Request that small beach off Freycinet Drive be a dog restricted area. We take our 3 small grandsons down there. Last summer I complained to the ranger about dogs running loose on this beach. The only other beach close is down from our residence, we have not been able to swim and for about 2 years even walk due to the seaweed.
22	Email address provided	Having just taken the time to analyze the maps that the Council have made in the Mail that is supposed to inform us , (the second class citizens that keep pet dogs).where we can exercise our dogs. I find the areas that we are banned from during the daylight hours stretches from Captain Baudin Reserve to Busselton Sailing Club in West Busselton. The City Council must consist totally of Dog Hater's. This area includes the unusable beaches around Port Geographe, the stinking Sulphur Dioxide poison gas beach that contains sea wrack for 10 months of the year From Port Geographe groyne to Morgan St,, The beach and from Russell St to King St in West Busselton, part of which is inaccessible over the (Anti Invasion) rock wall adjacent to the car park leaving the beach between Morgan St and Russell st the only area that we can use during daylight hours, approx 200 metres of beach. I do not object to a total ban on the beach between Scout Rd and Joliffe St as that is the area that has most use by Residents and Holiday makers and would not object to it being extended to Ford Rd and High St. The rest is overkill, as the balance of the proposed Controlled Area is almost exclusively used by Residents with pet dogs. it is not used by swimmers or holiday makers because it either stinks or is inaccessible or to far away from the City.
23	Harwood Rd, Busselton	I walk my dog twice a day and generally along the beach commencing from the western groyne of the port geographe development. I notice the proposed new dog restriction areas will prohibit me walking my dog on the beach between 8am and 6pm. My proposal is to allow a dog exercise area between the western groyne and ending approximately 500m to the west and coinciding with the eastern boundary of the busselton beach resort. The following is my justification for this proposal: 1. The marina canal prevents the movement of beach users from the east to this area 2. Beach users usually walk directly to the beach and normally there is virtually a small number of beach goers on the beach 3. This section of the coastline does not normally attract many beach goers due to the fact that the beach is covered with seagrass between May and November and either side of these months there is a strong smell of rotting seagrass (hydrogen sulphide)
24	David Drive, Geographe	I am completely mystified as to why the proposed changes in the dog exercise areas are even being considered. To highlight the area from Geurin Street to the groyne as an exclusion for dog exercise, is completely ridiculous, the beach area is hardly ever used as a beach as it is; 1: normally covered in seaweed 2: unpleasant due to the gases being given off 3: 3/4's of this area is blocked off with no road access 4: due to the above mentioned points the area is rarely used by swimmers! 5: even if the groyne issue is resolved, due to the lack of access, the beach area will still remain as an unused white elephant Why are you even considering to change the dog exercise area to between Morgan and Russell Street belies comprehension, as this is an area that is highly used by the public for recreational purposes.I wish to strongly register my objection to the proposed changes.
25	Marinbe Tce, Geographe	The existing dog exercise areas for the beach precinct in the Geographe vicinity work well, why do you want to change them?? The area between Morgan Street and Russell Street is an area that is used by the public for recreational purposes, and is a beautiful stretch of beach. Whereas the beach area from Guerin Street to the Groyne, is rarely used by the public due to there being no direct road access.It ideally is suited to a dog exercise area as the public rarely use it. I would also like to raise the matter of there being dog poo bags at Guerin Street, but no rubbish bin, and there is a rubbish bin at Morgan Street but no dog poo bags!!! Could you please rectify this issue.
26	Geographe Bay Rd, Geographe	Although I am a dog owner, I object to the proposed dog exercise area on the beach between Morgan and Russell Streets. We are regular beach goers and have young children. We visit that specific stretch of the beach regularly along with many other families with young kids (we leave our dog at home). If this area becomes a dog exercise area it will no longer be enjoyable to spend the day at the beach, whilst there are dogs off leashes. Unfortunately there are many irresponsible dog owners that don't clean up after their dogs and this will ruin the beach for young families as we won't be able to play and swim without having to navigate excrement. Fishing off the beach will become prohibitive with dogs that might get in the way of fishing rods or could become aggressive around ourselves and our children. Please consider leaving the current exercise areas in place or situating the dog exercise area to somewhere that is not so densely populated. I appreciate the opportunity to make this objection. Thank you.

27	Marine Terrace	The proposed dog exercise area from Morgan to Russell Streets is only a 5 minute walk and recommended daily exercise is a minimum of 30 minutes per day. I don't understand why you can't walk your dog on a lead anywhere anytime. If you have a lot of dogs unleashed in one small area, there will be more problems then what there is now.
28	Triller Close Geographe	I disagree that the beach area from Morgan Street heading east towards Port Geographe should be restricted for exercising dogs during the hours stated between December and April. To be able to give a dog a good run, this entire section of beach should be made available for dogs off lead at any time as long as they are under the control of their owners. It is already used by numerous responsible dog owners. The area near the groin in particular does not seem to be useable for fishing or swimming for most of the year due to the abundance of the sea grass. It would also be good to have a 'dog poo' bag dispenser at the Morgan Street car park.
29	Estuary View Dr, Wonnerup	Wonnerup beach is not used by bathers but mostly by people walking their dogs.
30	Marine Tce, Geographe	Area between Freycinet Dr & Morgan St. Length of proposed area Morgan St to Russell St is too small. The area from Freycinet Drive to Morgan St classified as dog off leash area, the beach from Morgan St to Russell St could be restricted area. suggest restricted times be from 9am to 5pm.
31	Honeyeater Close, Geographe	Morgan St to Russell St area too small, should be from either Morgan or Russell St through to Ford Rd. Don't see that closing beaches is necessary, should only be school & public holidays but if is necessary closure of beaches should be from mid Dec to mid February. times should be 10am to 4pm. Tourists from Kookaburra Caravan Park would have to walk to russell St or king St this won't happen.
32	Geographe Bay Rd, Geographe	Morgan to Russell St area mostly used by children and young families. Current area between Ford Rd and Rescue Centre should remain.

**SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS
DOG EXERCISE, RESTRICTED & PROHIBITED AREAS**

MAP 2 - BUSSELTON, GEOGRAPHE & REINSCOURT

ENQUIRY NUMBER	EMAIL / ADDRESS	SUBMISSION
1	Email address provided	The area from Russell Street to Scout Road would prefer the time to be shorter from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. By the end of March the sun is set by 6:00 pm so during April afternoon exercise on the beach could only be done in the dark which could be quite dangerous. Even the morning window of daylight prior to 8:00 am would be much shorter than in December. Would also much prefer that the section from Ford Road to Russell Street be an unrestricted dog exercise area. Are dogs on the beach during the day during the summer really a problem in the section of beach between Russell Street and Ford Road? Have people using the beach during the day during the summer complained about dogs on the beach? We often see families with children and pets on the beach between Russell Street and Scout road during the day. Where will those families now go if they wish to take children and pets to the beach during the day?
2	Greyteal Place, Broadwater	Happy with the hours for restricted areas.
3	Email address provided	Agree with all the submission except the dogs totally prohibited areas in what appears to be an all year round NO GO area for dogs. Map 2 in particular is of concern. Many people, myself included walk along the area either side of and then up near the jetty and enjoy at the end of the walk sitting and having a coffee or an icecream down on the foreshore whilst taking in the atmosphere. Dogs on lead only would be more appropriate in these areas. This is not an exercise area but are like many other coffee strips and public open spaces where dogs are permitted and included into our lives.
4	Dorset St, West Busselton	I am writing to complain about the number of dogs which are allowed to roam freely on Lou Weston Oval every day. These animal are allowed to deposit 'droppings' all over the oval and their owners do nothing to rectify or pick up this mess As this area is also used by young children and the general public this practice is not safe and healthy Some dog owners do exercise care when walking their dogs (by having them on leads and picking up any mess) There is no clear signage (except at the corner of King/Dorset St) that dogs are required to be on leads at all times and that any mess MUST be cleaned up – some owners are allowing their dogs to 'mess' in the children's play area' as well – very healthy practice !! I regularly walk on this oval (at least twice a day) and have never seen any Rangers/Shire Officials observing the 'goings on' in this area Any discussion regarding allowing this oval to be used as a ' Dog Exercise area' will only compound the problem – the current dog exercise beach (Craig to King St should be maintained) – if any change is to made it should at least be maintained from Craig St to 'west' of the parking area at the King St/Geographe Bay Rd junction
5	Thomas St, Busselton	We disagree that on map area 2 where there is a section B in red which means dogs are prohibited and also area C where dogs are restricted from 8am-6pm. Both these areas should allow dogs if they are on leads at any time. We have been exercising our dog in these areas for a number of years and provided they are on a lead there should be no issue.
6	Georgette St, Busselton	If there has got to be a restriction I would prefer it limited to 1 Jan - 30 April and 9 am to 5 pm. We witnessed two dogs fighting whilst their owners walked them in the parkland end of Georgette St and one was chased across Marine Terrace by the other dog with one being destroyed by a passing vehicle so unless the Parkland is fenced the beach is still the best place for our water loving lab. We don't enjoy walking dogs with a crowded beach hence after work at 5 pm works well with the beach empty apart from the odd fisherman.
7		Elderly lady who has a small dog and likes to take him for a walk on the beach at the end of Carey Street which is nearest to her home - she does not have a car and walks dog to beach. I do not want to walk the streets before 8am or after 6pm. This is also usually the time large dogs are taken for a walk before and after their are at work. I have met holiday makers who come to Busselton as they can walk their dogs on the beach and have them in Caravan Parks. I would like to suggest that there are many pressing issues the City of Busselton staff should put their minds to solving instead of depriving elderly residents of the simple pleasure of taking their dog for a walk on the beach.

8	Email address provided	<p>In particular an excluded zone from Russell to King Street for rate payers and their dogs (which are also are paid for rate payers in the form of their licence). Every one has a right to use the beach.</p> <p>I understand the population increases in summer with the tourist season. The exclusion zone around the jetty entrance and Equinox Cafe area is fine and I have no issue with that. However the area east and west of that should be allowed to be used by who ever wants to use it. Saying that as a rate payer and resident I can't walk my dog along the beach during the day is ridiculous. I can understand dogs only being allowed there during the period on the leash which would be a begrudged compromise. But to be banned from use at all is wrong. My dog is 8 years old and my other is 5 years old and we have been walking, swimming and playing on Gale to King St beach area regularly during summer and winter and I have never had a single incident, not one. Alot of the time there are not even people within 100 metres either side of us.</p> <p>This plan needs to be revised or scrapped.</p>
9	Jones Way, Abbey	<p>The proposals outlined in Map 2 and Map 3 respresent an elitist mentality for the Shire council looking afetr the interests of a select few along Geographe Bay Road and Siesta Park.</p> <p>Certainly have dog restricted areas around the town centre and jetty areas for Tourist Season that makes sense, however, the remainder smacks of preferential treatment for wealthy landowners along the waterfront areas. Make it dog exerecise areas from King Street West to Dunsborough.</p>
10	Gannet Court, Geographe	<p>Area A & B – as mentioned above – proposed dog restricted area are too large. There are many dog owners who would like to go to the beach with their dogs during the summer months as they view them as an important part of their family. It would be more applicable to make the proposed restricted areas smaller, so that everyone can enjoy going to the beach, including dog owners.</p> <p>Area B – is perfectly fine as this is the area where most people and tourist will be during the summer months.</p> <p>Proposed Dog exercise areas in Parks green = non restricted - the number and size of the parks in not adequate to properly exercise dogs.</p> <p>Proposed Dog exercise areas in Parks yellow = Dog Exercise area unless approved activity – can create a lot of confusion as many dog owners might exercise their dogs while being unaware that an event is about to start. This can result in dog owners getting unfairly fined. How exactly would the City of Busselton make dog owners aware of approved activities? Would there be a sign a week prior to the event so that people will be aware? How will dog owners know the timeframe of their dogs being prohibited from certain areas?</p> <p>Proposed Dog exercise areas in Parks red = dogs prohibited – it is perfectly fine to have parks where dogs are prohibited as long as there are a sufficient number of other parks dogs can be exercised in properly.</p>
11	Dawson Avenue Busselton	<p>I object to Maps 2 & 3 as these areas are in the main concentration areas of people, the Jetty foreshore and the tourist accommodation parks. Even now with dogs supposed to be on leads, many are not and with regulations removed, more accidents will happen. Along the jetty foreshore and beachfronts at Broadwater Resort, Abbey Beach Resort, Cape Forte, Siesta Park, etc, many people are swimming, exercising, training, walking or there with small children enjoying their holidays. These are high traffic areas during summer. Having loose dogs put them all at risk. Unfortunately all dog owners are not responsible and the general public has a right to be safe in these high traffic areas. With the new recreation areas being constructed at the jetty foreshore, everyone should be allowed to use the areas with no danger of dogs roaming loose. All dogs should be on leads in public areas! No one-tourist or resident should be placed in the danger of dog attacks. As public liability consequences are high I wonder why the City of Busselton would want to put themselves in the firing line if a serious dog attack takes place. Dog exercise areas should not be in high traffic public areas. Thank you.</p>
12	Geographe Bay Road	<p>We strongly object to the proposed dog restricted zone from Scout Road to Russell Streets in East Busselton. We have lived in our current home for 41 years. This sections of beach, even in the height of summer is extremely quiet. Part of our enjoyment is living on the beach is being able to swim with our daughter and her family and their dog. The proposal is prohibitive and ridiculous. Please advise on how we can do more to ensure that this does not go ahead.</p>
13	Kent Street BSN	<p>As long term residents of Busselton we feel these proposals will take away our ability to use the part of the beach that we have been using for over 10 years in walking and swimming our dogs. We walk and swim our dog daily in the zone between Gale and King Streets. We dont believe we should be punished for the inconsiderate few as we are responsible dog owners. Please advise what other action we can take to ensure this does not go ahead. We look forward to hearing from you.</p>
14	Kent Street BSN	<p>I strongly object to the proposed restricted zone from Gale street to King street. We have lived and paid rates in this area for the past 11 years. We swim in this area with our children and dog all summer. This stretch of beach at its busiest is VERY quiet, and it would drastically affect our quality of life to have to drive to the nearest beach to exercise and swim as a family with our dog.</p>

15	Willmott Street GEO	I have been living in Busselton for 4 years now and it feels like ive been here forever We Love Busselton. But these new dog restrictions are not good, any time i have been on the beach at the end of our street there has been no one there maybe another couple of people with there dogs and i have never heard any one complain. If your going to put time limits why dont you start from the jetty to Ford street time restricted and then from Ford street to the next point open dog exercise area just makes it a bit longer and the jetty area off limits in those hours People swim closer to the jetty more then the open areas. There are people (mums) who dont work and are open to go to the beach with the kids and the dog during the day if you put those times up then they wont go. The hours are not good it's like it's being done for the holiday makers and not us who live here.
16	Talga Crt, Busselton	This area is where I exercise my German Shepherd. I used to also exercise him at Lou Western, but now I can't and if this exercise area from King St - Gale is restricted, all I can walk my dog is from King to the Drain. Please don't make it harder to find somewhere to keep myself and my pet healthy and fit.
17	Hester St, Geographe	I am on a disability pension with a spinal injury. I am liited ahead in my ability to take my dogs for walks. I have to do it in accordance to my wellness and daily ability. This will further restrict the chance for my dogs to get enough exercise. There is hardly anyone ever there anyway, so I don't see why we are being resticted.
18	Beachfields Drv, Abbey	New proposed areas are good. Possibly make times in restricted areas 9-6pm during summer. Possibly put more bag's along beach to reduce "doggy doos" on beach
19	Pianobox Blvd, Busselton	Agree with proposal
20	Moylan Way, Busselton	Map 2 hard for me to get around as I walk my dog in the area at around 10am therefore in the summer months I can't walk my dog close to my home.
21	Fairbairn Rd, Busselton	Prohibited time 9-5 more agreeable
22	Dotterell Cres, Busselton	It's a good idea so other people don't have to complain if dogs are off the leash but good idea, nice thinking.
23	Hester Ave Merriwa. 6030	It is with disbelief that I was visiting your City last weekend, as we do on a regular basis and read in the local rag that a proposal was being put before Council to open up the beach between Dolphin Rd and New Town Boat Ramp, allowing dogs to roam free not on a leash. Have the Busselton Council gone mad? As the above area takes in Two Caravan Parks, Aged Care facilities, high density housing and resorts, do the Council put the rights of roaming animals above people? From the outset let me make it clear that I am a dog love having had one for a number of years, however in my ageing years and the grandmother of five small children I am very aware of the danger of 'unleashed' dogs particularly around ageing people and children. Thats not to say the pollution that may be created by them. I strongly urge you to vote against this proposal as it has so many impacts least of all driving tourists away from your City. On making enquiries I understand that this is already two designated dog beaches available in the Busselton City. From my address you may notice that I live in the Northern Suburbs of Perth and if you have a dog you have to drive to the designated dog beach for which people do. Why then is Busselton being spoilt by such ludicrous proposed laws?
24	Abbey Beach Resort	I read with complete horror about the proposed change to the dog beach laws from Dolphin Road to Newtown Beach Road. As the owner/director of Abbey Beach Resort Management Limited who's responsibility it s to operate the Resort for and on behalf of the 187 owners of the strata lots that comprise the Resort, I speak on behalf of all owners in objecting to the change. I appreciate it is a current 'dog on leash' beach and whilst difficult to 'manage and police' it should not be seen that because it is difficult the laes should be made easier. Hundreds of tourists each year use he beaches in front of the resort/caravan strip from Broadwater Beach Resort to Cape View Apartments, along with the resident of Ray Village who use the beaches as therapy each and every day, and whom I am sure would be concerned at dogs running off leashes along this beach. I hope my disapproval of the proposal meets with a favourable response from all councillors and I am happy to discuss my concerns with anyone at anytime and can be contacted via the resort or my email address.
25	Jeffers Court BSN	Great idea opening up beach per map 3 and extending dog exercise area. Stop - start shorter stretches at the moment leads to congestion in some areas and invites more issues due to the number of dogs in the same section of beach. Great idea.
26	Geographe Bay Rd, Geographe	I feel the time should be closed from 9am to 5pm rather than 8am to 6pm.
27	Fairbairn Rd	Agree with proposal Map 2 Part A
28	Pigeon Rise, Geographe	Hours should be between 9am to 5pm rather than 8am to 6pm.
29	Edwards St, Busselton	Agree with proposal
30	Mark Pl, Thornlie WA 6108	Stay at Kookaburra Caravan park twice per year. don't agree with the 8am to 6pm as they don't get up early. They don't see many people on the beach at all.
31	PO Box , Busselton	Disagree with restricted zone be at High St and that the zone South of High St. High St-King St should still be a dog ex area unrestricted as there is little access between the 2. Needs bags and bins as presently poo left everywhere because bags and bins not available.

32	Geographe Bay Road, Bsn	I believe the City should promote responsible dog control behaviour with owners rather than penalising those dog owners who do responsibly walk their dogs in public/at the beach. The beach front is for everyone to enjoy. Perhaps tougher penalties for those dog owners who do not ensure their dogs behave appropriately at the beach would be a more fair approach. Alternatively change the hours to 8am-4pm where dogs are restricted access between these hours over the prescribed months.
33	Duke St, Busselton	Suggest hours from 8-6 to 9-5. Especially late in morning.
34	Leeuwin Blvd, Busselton	Agree with proposal Map 2
35	Reynolds St, Busselton	Increase dog exercise area from Russell St to Ford Rd, all else good for me
36	Thomas St, West Busselton	Good idea to have dogs controlled along this stretch during summer
37	Fairbairn Rd, Busselton	Extend dog exercise area from Russell St to Georgette St. Unrestricted hours to allow all residents and their dogs the opportunity to exercise with their dogs.
38	West St, Busselton	We do not agree with the proposed ban for dogs on so much of the beach front. We are badly affected by this and always keep our dog on a leash and pick up after him. Perhaps you could revise the distance between King St and Russell Sts.
39	Dorset St, West Busselton	My view is that both the period and times are inappropriate for the proposed dog exclusion zone. If we really need to restrict dogs the period should be 15/12 to 31/03, daily times should be from 10am to 4pm. We, residents of Busselton, pay our rates and other taxes - unlike 'visitors'. We should NOT have to be disadvantaged through 'when' we can enjoy a walk on the beach without dogs. If the rangers were more visible and proactive I cannot even see the need for the restrictions - if dogs are not on a leash, FINE the owner and at the same time check to see if the dog is registered and licensed. There are far too many residents who do not control their dogs (and pick up the 'mess' left by their dogs in non exercise areas (it would be good also if they removed their dogs mess from other areas as well.) Warning notice re dogs on leash at all times especially at Lou Western Oval are almost non existant (I can find only one on the corner of Dorset/King Streets) I am the owner of two registered dogs and always exercise them on leads and pick up any mess. Dog owners generally need to be more responsible and respect other people enjoyment.
40	Gannet Court, Busselton	Change exercise area from Morgan St to Ford Rd or even beyond the sea rescue. Also Make it 9am instead of 8am and 4:30pm instead of 6pm. Change to mid Dec to end of Feb. (This was a lengthy submission, only took the main points out of it.)
41	Kintail Cove, Busselton	Whilst I have attempted not to become emotional about this issue, I find the restrictions to be draconian. I cannot understand the need to prohibit dogs on leads from outdoor areas that are otherwise accessible to the general public. Taking dogs into public areas where they can interact with people and other animals is crucial to developing and maintaining their obedience and social skills. Conversely, leaving dogs locked in a back yard without company leads to barking, anxiety and other anti-social behaviours. These are the very behaviour this legislation seems aimed at keeping off our beaches. And yet, it is more likely the legislation encourages them. Irresponsible dog owners, who do not socialise or train their dogs to act appropriately, will flout these restrictions as they do now. Only the responsible and law-abiding owners and their dogs will be penalised. The dog beach in the area of King Street has already been reduced in the recent past and at times cannot be traversed due to the drain. The new 'restricted' and prohibited zones will further restrict the free passage of dog owners from east to west along the beachfront. Furthermore, it is apparent from what has happened elsewhere that temporary restrictions are difficult to enforce, meaning the full prohibition will end up being extended to all of the areas in time. For many years, I have suffered abuse at the hands of non-dog owners whilst using the dog beach. The areas I can walk are being reduced and if these proposals are to go ahead, I would like to know what action is being taken to ensure MY peaceful enjoyment of the dog exercise areas. If the foreshore development is to be a place for all to enjoy a healthy outdoor lifestyle, why prevent a large section of the community from accessing it. I wonder at the next step to ensure the peaceful enjoyment of the waterfront by those who can afford it - perhaps the banning of noisy children?
42	Belltonia Way Vasse	I would like to say that I am a frequent user of the dog beaches in and around Busselton. I always choose quiet beaches. Usually the one to the Goose side of the Jetty, dont know what its called. Summer is a difficult time for dog owners as we are restricted to beaches because of the snakes. I love to walk my dog along the beach, with a bit of time off the lead and then round the park there, although even that has its problems with prickles in the dogs feet, sometimes requiring visits to vets. Please dont make any changes to the dog beaches. The majority of dog owners pick up after their dogs and this particular beach isnt used much by tourists anyhow. You most take into account the people who live here, not just the visitor, who are almost always just passing through anyhow.
43	Geographe Bay Rd, Geographe	This section of the beach, along with Guerin to Morgan Streets is the most family friendly area in Geographe during the summer months. I feel it is not oppropriate to allow dogs free range on this section as there are many irresponsible owners who do not clean up after their animals defecate. As a waterfront resident I frequently see dogs, not on leashes, daily and even on the dual use path. Invariably their attendants do not remove their animals faeces even from the pathway. I submit better use could be made of the parkland between ford rd and Georgette st.

44	Kent St, Busselton	We have seen flexible hours/dates work well in other states so we agree in principle. However 8-6 do not provide adequately for a) patrons of Kookaburra Caravan Park, b) working parents of young children who walk with dog and children after school. 6pm is a busy time especially for a parent getting dinner, supervising homework etc. This area is used only by dog owners. Why close this area if there are other plans, at least wait until they are imminent. Closing this area does not allow sufficient area for locals and tourists to exercise their dogs. Retirees come to Kookaburra in early Feb. Many of them have dogs and patronise Kookaburra because of dog access parks and beach.
45	Marine Tce	Strongly object to restricted times being 8-6 east of Jetty for about 2kms. I use the beach twice per day. I understand there needs to be dog exclusions as it doesn't suit everyone, however the jetty to sea rescue would be ample.
46	Adelaide St, Busselton	Area A - Do not agree with "no dogs between 8-6" We are all encouraged to live healthier. Dogs are advertised as great companions and good excuse to exercise. But in BUSSELTON they are a dirty little secret that should be hidden away during the day. Catch up with the rest of Australia.
47	Wylie Crescent BSN	Thank you for the public meeting, it allowed a lot of people to have their say. I would like to propose that the restricted times run from 10am till 4pm or 9am till 3pm and for the restrictions to apply during school holidays and public holidays only. These times allow for people to walk dogs in the morning before people get to the beach for the day, some elderly people may find it difficult to 'get going' early enough to be off the beach by 8am. (a significant consideration given the elderly population in Busselton) Out with school holidays and public holidays the number of people using the beaches are minimal. In regards to map 3 I propose that the dog beach runs from Russell Street all the way to Georgette Street. There will be the removal of the park now earmarked for a nature reserve and eventually the area taken up by the new tennis club. This will allow for people staying at the caravan park with dogs to access the beach at any time in their holiday at Georgette Street. Other tourists will then utilise west of Georgette Street and be able to access the facilities at the foreshore. Having the area from Russell to Georgette Street will give the local residents a decent stretch of beach to exercise their dogs and will allow us to maintain our lifestyle of family and dog at the beach. In regards to the use of sports ovals, I am not sure I entirely agree, as unfortunately some people will not clean up after their dogs and kids will stand and fall in dog dirt. At least at the beach for the negligent few the ocean will wash it away or other dog walkers pick it up. In regards to the tourist dollar, a lot of people come to Busselton because we allow families and pets to holiday together. Our holiday town enables tourists with diverse financial means to stay here, please help keep this culture alive. I wanted to submit an add-on to my previous submission. In regard to the Busselton Cemetery I notice that Guide dogs are permitted however we are told to "keep our pets at home" . In the first instance I find this wording offensive especially when people could already be feeling vulnerable if they have just experienced the loss of a loved one . I would like to propose that dogs may be taken into the cemetery on a leash. It is not only humans who grieve as stories like Red Dog and Grey Friars Bobby can attest too. I would like to think if I passed away my dog could come and visit me ,or that I could take the dog of a friend who had passed away.thank you for your consideration.
48	West St, Busselton	Prohibited area from King to Russell St too far. To prohibit access completely between West and Gale St also seems unnecessary. We feel dogs should be permitted in this area along with the restricted area as long as they are on a leash. The area West St to Scout Rd is justified prohibited area. Restricted should be 9:30am to 4:30pm and Dec 20 to mid Feb.
49	Duchess St, Busselton	Restricted area between Gale and King St should be 9am - 4pm but dogs on lead during this time and 4pm - 9am dog exercise area.
50	West St, Busselton	Area from Gale St to the Yacht Club too restrictive, Should be 9am-4pm dogs on leash and 4pm-9am dogs off leash.
51	Avocet Bvd, Geographe	Restriction proposed between Russell and Morgan St is overkill. What I want is to be able to exercise my dog the full length of the beach 24hrs a day 365/6 days per year.
52	Stanford Drive, Abbey	Pleased to see greater area for dog access in abbey area. Restrictions on the Geographe side are too restrictive with time and area. Would like to see access on leads in the Jetty area.
53	Georgette St, Busselton	To my mind, this is nothing more than an exercise in "keeping things pretty" for the tourists, who flock here over the summer months. A lot of tourists use the main beach areas and take their dogs with them. They do not clean up after themselves.
54	Georgette St, Busselton	Fair enough to impose restrictions on the main swimming beach, between Scout Rd and West St but it is ridiculous and unfair to impose bans on other sections. It's the people that visit that don't clean up after their dogs and don't care as they are on holidays.
55	Georgette St, Busselton	I am 80+ years old and I have several health problems and my doctor has advised me walk a short distance each day which I do. I take my 2 small dogs to the end of our street to the beachfront where they have a quick swim before we return home again. I have been doing this for over 10 years. I cannot walk to Russell St. Barnard Park is unsuitable as the ground is too uneven for me to walk on. If the proposal goes through I will continue my daily routine and you can issue me as many fines as you like.

56	West St, Busselton	We do agree with park usage and the swim area B for no dogs in the plan. We disagree with Area A & C beach swimming as we feel 4 months for no dogs during 8am to 6pm is too long a time, basically the whole summer where we cannot take the dogs during the day. I have yet to see tourists swimming at 8am in the morning. We feel area A & C have currently worked well as the majority in those areas are dog owners and have good control of their animals and remove their waste. The majority visitors/tourists are in Area B where most amenities are, also most visitors are over the Christmas/new year break and it doesn't seem fair to not allow dog owners the right to swim during the day in early December/February/March/April with their dogs.
57	Marine Tce, Busselton	I agree with the proposal that Signal Park be left as a dog exercise area. Well done with that proposal. I question the beach area from Scout Rd to Ford Rd being restricted. This beach area is not used as much as the area west of the jetty. I would prefer that this area remains in the green (dog exercise area) for any time of the day. Regards Denise
58	Klaehn Cres, Yalyalup	The proposal provides a few open areas to exercise dogs to east of the jetty with the proposal forcing people and dogs into the one small unrestricted area. The restrictions here need to be lifted as the beaches aren't used by a lot of people in summer. Restrict dogs near the jetty but allow the wide open beach to the east open for all users. Support the use of Stewart Bovell Oval as there are no dog exercise areas in the Country Road, Willow Grove or Provence areas.
59	Jolliffe St, Busselton	Section of beach from High St to King St should be a permanent dog beach as it is only accessible from the car parks at High St and King St and a couple of pedestrian access ways.
60	Blumb Blvd, Busselton	Area 2 Sections A, B, C This section of the beach, 4 kilometres long, is adjacent to the most densely populated portion of the city. It seems unreasonable that this length should be totally banned from dogs during the best months of the year, especially as sections A and C seem to be under-utilised (except for dog-walkers!) early and late in the day. A number of options seem possible which, if introduced, would make the situation rather more acceptable to dog owners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permit dog access up till 10am and after 5pm. It's only the odd swimmer using the beach outside those times. • Allow an area, say in section A, for dog-on-lead use. If it's OK in Queen Street then surely the beach should be OK. Area 2 Section D This area is currently a dog exercise area, but is far from ideal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because of the large car park and toilet facility, the eastern portion of section D is popular with families with young children. Thus it is not an ideal place to allow dogs off lead. • Section D is bisected by the drain which is not easily passed at high tide, a nuisance for fit owners (or dogs) who like a good run. • When yachting activities are in preparation, the beach can be very busy and full of small craft. Again, it can be safer to keep a dog on its lead. • The area is popular with fisherman. These are impossible for a dog to ignore and can be positively dangerous to animals with their equipment and waste. Our dog became extremely ill after eating part of a blowfish discarded by a fisherman (and not noticed by us till too late). Suggesting that fisherman be banned from dog exercise areas may not be too good an idea. A simple solution would be to make the area of beach from near Gale Street to King Street an exercise area – as it used to be a couple of years ago. It is usually deserted even when adjacent sections are busy and is already popular with dog owners. General Since we understand that you plan to update the local law, it would seem sensible to ensure that you include a mechanism for updating the status of the designated areas without having to go back and get ministerial approval each time. At the rate at which the town is developing and the seagrass is moving, it is not unreasonable to expect areas to be re-evaluated every few years without requiring a monster bureaucratic overhead.
61	Cnr Morgan & Geographe Bay Rd	As a land owner in the proposed zone of the dog exercise area I am totally against the new proposal. We have small children who will be at risk with the dogs. Despite the best efforts of the shire they cannot control the behaviour of dogs and their owners. I was attacked by a dog in a recreation area in the Perth area this year. Dog exercise areas need to be kept away from Houses and small areas which are used regularly by people. Morgan street has a small car park which is basically on the road. Many people start their exercise in this area. Dogs are often likely to react to joggers. I also think the council will be forced to deal with a lot more complaints from the residence and the public in the area, than it currently does. Something which will be costly and should be avoided.
62	Geographe Bay Rd	The Corner of Morgan Street/ Geographe Bay Road during Summer is one of the busiest parts of the beach with families and kids as it has a great new parking facility. Areas where dogs will be off their leashes need to be in positions whereby they are away from the general public, small children. This is also a great area for people to come fish at night time. It also needs to be in a position where there is a geographical barrier, otherwise people will think the whole beach is a dog beach. This could be a better option to use the other side of the mariner.

63	Cockatoo Drive, Nannup	Busselton A - this is our other regular dog walking beach when we shop weekly in Busselton. Restricting our access to before 8am and after 6pm would make it unworkable as we have to drive up from Nannup and I do not want to add risk to the journey by travelling at kangaroo time - plus the shops are not open earlier. Please reconsider this proposal.
64	Cookworthy Street	As a dog owner and a SAFE volunteer I disagree with the times and dates and places of the proposed dog exclusion beaches. Busselton is a unique sea side destination attracting many dog owners for holidays. We have enough beach to share with dogs and humans. I walk every day, sometimes twice a day from Sea Rescue up to the groin with rescue dogs and my own. This stretch of beach is frequented all year round by dogs and their owners. If there must be a no dog beach then make it where the majority of families go, from Sea Rescue to King Street. As for the start and finish times 10.30 am to 4pm would suit all. 6 pm is too late and unfortunately dangerous for me to walk as there are too many iced up people in this area to make it to the beach and back safely. I work full time shift work and take the dogs to the beach when I have the time during the day. Dates; 20th December to 10th February, this is the most populated time of the beaches that I have noticed over my years of walking up and down. At present the stretch of beach that I think should remain open to dogs all year, Ford Road to Guerin Street has only 4 or 5 people fishing or swimming at any one time, all the other users are dog owners. When it warms up this stretch of beach is popular with dog lovers, and it would be unforgiveable to prohibit the dog owners from using the area when it is convenient for them.
65	King St, Busselton	I mostly agree with the restrictions on dog use areas to allow for people to walk peacefully along the beach without threats from dogs and their owners. One problem is the busy King Street carpark beach, where dog owners and families clash over dogs off leads. I think dog owners should be required to have their dogs on lead until they reach the ramp at the yacht club. This would solve a lot of conflict, including in the carpark. Families and aggressive dogs/owners are not a good mix. Also, I think that dogs will now be entitled to take over lou Weston oval, an unreasonable ask. I witness daily the lack of care by dog owners on that park. It should be available to people to relax and picnic there, not fending off dogs.
66	King St, Busselton	Agree, as possibly an improvement on the current position where all beaches are monopolized by dogs, however the King St junction has never worked in the past and probably won't in the future. Dog owners almost always release their dogs in the car park and then mostly walk towards the jetty anyway so the dogs are running about, jumping on people and defecating on what is supposed to be a restrained dog area. Currently the City is not enforcing the Dog Act where owners are supposed to be responsible for their dogs in any area. Having dogs jump up on people and cyclists is not maintaining control. The so-called prohibited dog area by the jetty is also conspicuous by the non-enforcement. At best dog owners tie their dogs to the signs whilst going into Equinox. In general dog owners here make no attempt to discipline their animals and have no fear that their inaction will ever attract a sanction, unless their animal bites another, then all hell breaks loose. I would prefer the Sorrento, Vic position where the inhabitants got so sick of dog harassment dogs are prohibited from beach areas in total. Or try Lorne, Vic where dogs in restricted areas are immediately impounded, no argument. I believe the City will be held legally responsible in case of dog attack on a person if sued as it would be quite easy to prove that enforcement of the provisions of the Dog Act is minimal here.
67	Mitchell Way, Windy Harbour	I frequently visit Busselton beaches and find very few people to the east of the jetty. The only ones I do see are walking dogs. May I suggest that the beach be closed to dog walkers from 10.30am to 4 pm. Also that the beach remain open all day from Ford Road to Guerin St and the proposed dates be reduced to the 20th of Dec to the end of school holidays. Thanks for the opportunity to make a comment.
68	PO Box Bunbury	I agree to the proposed changes. In particular the jetty and close proximity should be a prohibited area due the high concentration of people and visitors including children. The restricted zone along the foreshore is also a welcome change. Observing the number of dog owners along the foreshore and path recently not having their dog on a leash, I think the most important change would be for signage making it clear that unless in a designated exercise area, dogs must be on a leash. Walking from Carey st along the foreshore path to the jetty there is not a single sign advising dogs must be on a leash. The lack of a single sign allows people to be ignorant of the law and i feel that is how some people are treating the law.

69	Tain St, Ard	I live in Perth, but spend weekends and holidays year-round at my family's house on Ford Road. One of the main reasons we enjoy holidays in Busselton is because we can bring our labrador, and exercise her on the beach close to our house. Visits to the beach during our time in Busselton are a daily occurrence. On the majority of days, during summer and winter, we are either the only people using the beach adjacent to Ford Road, or share it with other dog owners. I can understand the rationale for restricting dog access on the beaches around the jetty and foreshore area near town, and opposite the caravan parks. However, the area from Ford Road east toward Port Geographe is predominantly residential, and thus used by residents or regular visitors who own houses, such as myself. Under the new proposal, we would need to drive to the revised dog exercise area, and a number of dogs would be concentrated into a small area, which would potentially cause other problems, such as parking, congestion, conflict between dogs and water quality. If congested with dogs, this section of beach would become useful only for dog exercise, and not for families to enjoy the beach with their dogs. As an alternative, I would propose that the area from Ford Road, west to the jetty become a restricted dog exercise area, but that the area from Ford Road east toward Port Geographe remain as a dog exercise area at all times.
70	Marine Tce	The 8am to 6pm zone east of the jetty is far too long. The western side of the jetty has its dog exercise area far closer to the jetty. I have a dog whom I walk everyday down from Russell St and hardly ever see tourists or lone people. I always see other dog walkers, most of whom are responsible and keep their dog under control. If it weren't for other dog walkers we would hardly see anybody down at the beach. From Morgan st to the groyne is just a ridiculous exclusion zone. Sometimes there are fishermen or swimmers down from Morgan st, but usually in the middle of the day. I cannot see how a dog area here would impact adversely on anyone. Around the jetty, of course, as that is where ALL the tourists go.
71	Triller Close, Geographe	The area between Russell St & Morgan St, I think that the area is too small and should be made bigger. There are a lot of people (both young and old) that have dogs and we like to let the dogs run free on the beach. If that small stretch of beach was the only place we could do that then why not extend the area to groyne at Geographe. very few people would like to swim in the area as it stinks with rotting seaweed and even if the groyne ever gets re-aligned it will still be unacceptable as a good swimming beach. I understand there is a larger dog exercise area on the other side of the groyne, but that would mean i would have to drive for miles around Layman Rd to get to it. let the dogs have from Russell St to the Geographe Groyne, they are about the only ones that would swim in it.
72	Castlecrag Drive	Having regularly used dog beaches over the years, I am dismayed to find that the council is considering a Dog Beach between Morgan and Russell Street in Geographe. This is a pristine, quiet section of Geographe Bay Road with homes that are permanent residences, holiday homes and investment properties. The beach beyond Morgan Street towards the entrance to the Marina has been severely degraded for several years now due to the on going seaweed problem and residents from this area of Geographe have to commute to Morgan street before they can comfortably walk on the beach away from the piles of fly blown seaweed and the toxic smell that goes with it. There is no adequate parking for users of a dog beach and this could cause some serious road safety issues in the area, particularly from holidaying children running across the road between cars to reach the beach. It will also increase the traffic flow in this quiet area. We purchased our investment holiday home in this area and are seriously concerned that should the council decide to put a dog beach along this strip of beach it will devalue the sale price of our property. Is the council prepared to consider compensation to the residents who own property in this area. It seems far more reasonable to put the dog beach where it has always been, on the Wonnerup Beach section where there are few or no houses, or holiday accommodation and better parking for dog owners. In this area the beach area for dogs could actually be made into longer area with little or no impact on local residents.

73	Castlecrag Drive, Kalaroo	<p>I am concerned to hear that the City of Busselton is considering a Dog Beach between Morgan and Russell Street in Geographe Bay. I am a local home owner whose property is located on Geographe Bay Road within the proposed area.</p> <p>This section of coastline has always been a quiet and pristine section of Geographe Bay Road and this is one of the main attractions for local home owners. I recognise the need for designated dog beaches within the municipality however I strongly believe there are areas further east of this location that would be better suited. My main concern is with the lack of facilities currently available along this stretch of road, and the significant potential problems associated with this, predominantly; 1. lack of car parking facilities 2. lack of ablutions and wash down areas 3. vehicle congestion issues caused by limited access and egress 4. increased vehicle/pedestrian conflict along Geographe Bay Road from the township 5. interruption, inconvenience and safety hazards for 'Ironman' cycling and other triathlete events during the actual competition AND during training 6. wildlife disturbance - there are many species of birds and reptiles that live in the surrounding beachside vegetation.</p> <p>7. close proximity to local residents - there is little protection from an expected increase in noise levels associated with dogs barking and owners calling them as there are limited dunes or high level scrub to screen this out.</p> <p>I would strongly recommend that councillors visit dog beaches such as Hillarys in Perth to experience the types of congestion, noise and litter created by limited dog beach zones and to then imagine the effect that this would have on an unprotected beach front.</p> <p>I thank you for the opportunity to put forward my opinions and suggestions regarding this proposal and sincerely hope you will seriously consider the implications and favour an alternative location.</p>
74	Gale Street Busselton	<p>Submission: The no dog period is good concept. I feel that 10am to 4pm would be more suitable times for the beaches to be dog free. I think that "poo bags" should be available at all beaches to encourage owners to clean up after their dogs. The dispensers should be checked for re-stocking daily</p>
75	Ford Road Busselton	<p>We live in Ford Road and currently take our well behaved small dog for a swim and a run (he is very active) at the beach at the end of Ford Rd. Generally we go early in the morning but if it is hot we also take him with us when we go for a swim. As with most people on the Ford Rd beach we are overly vigilant about other people, in particular the ones with small children, and generally walk east along the beach where there are fewer people so that everyone can enjoy the water.</p> <p>As I understand it, there are laws in place relating to leashed dogs in certain areas (near the jetty) and cleaning up after them which don't seem to be enforced very rigidly so how do you propose to enforce your new regulations? The people that we meet on the beach exercising their dogs are generally older people with smaller dogs - I know this isn't the case everywhere but I can only comment on our area. These people are keeping themselves fit and healthy and regard it as a social outing. Have you considered the impact that this might have on these people? Most dogs play an important role in our society and I feel that your heavy handed approach to regulating everything we do is losing sight of the value of these animals. I accept that some irresponsible dog owners are spoiling the summer holidays for everyone but I also believe that there are adequate regulations in place to police their behaviour. The proposed dog beach is too far for us to walk to, so therefore we would have to drive. The car park looks like it might hold a few cars but not enough to cater for the people in our area. It seems silly to get in the car, take the dog for a swim and then get back in a hot car with a wet, sandy pooch when we could have just walked. I can understand the need to restrict dogs at the jetty, near the caravan parks and at the boat ramps and I would be in favour of that. Occasionally, on a hot day, Ford Rd beach is busy so perhaps there could be restricted areas around the beaches that have direct access via a road. I would be quite happy to take the dog up the beach to the East where there is rarely any people swimming anyway. Perhaps the exclusion zone could be from 50m East of Ford Rd beach to the jetty. I really feel that a better solution could be arrived at rather than just making a blanket ban on all dogs and plucking a dog exercise area out of thin air without considering the impact on the residents.</p>
76	Reynolds Street Busselton	<p>I object to the period and times of restriction for exercising dogs on beaches. I would prefer to keep the on leash area the jetty side of King Street beach as I am elderly and find it easier to walk my dog on lead without other dogs running near me. I also prefer to exercise my dog in the afternoon and find the time restrictions would be too limiting.</p>

77	Hadfield Avenue, Busselton	In particular area A) from Craig Street to Dolphin Road. The proposal to ban members of the public from their local beach if they wish to exercise their family dog on the beach between the hours of 8am and 6pm during summer months is outrageous. Please provide information about where else such a draconian regulation is in force in WA or even in Australia. We request that you provide a copy of the research resulting in this proposal and copies of letters from local residents (if any) requesting that this action be taken. We exercise our dog, along with many other dog owners in the area, precisely in the centre of the proposed ban, via the entrance to the beach at the bottom of Earnshaw Road. We have used this area of the beach for some 11 years, daily during the summer, and have never been aware of any problem with the many dog exercisers who use this beach with their dogs, on and off the lead. We point out that over 11 years we have never seen a Shire Ranger on this stretch of beach, so how your Rangers could be aware of this need for a ban is inexplicable. Further, there are no signs whatsoever designating whether this area of beach is a dog control area or otherwise. Visitors staying at Beachlands Caravan Park may use this area during the day however as there is no shade they mainly come for a swim late in the day. A number also bring their dogs to exercise as well. We have questions every dog exerciser we have met on this beach recently, and none have been aware of the proposed ban. Are you aware that the plans printed in the 'Mail' are so small that they are unreadable? When we inform others, they have indicated their strong objection. The only regulation for this area of beach that we, the local residents, would accept is that dogs on or off the lead, must be under owner control.
78	Duke St, Busselton	I walk my dogs from Ford Rd to Scout Rd and don't see many other people on the beach other than dog users. Support restrictions from Dec to Feb.
79	Pioneer Cove, Busselton	Beach between Scout Rd and Russel St.
80	Moore St, Busselton	From Jetty West, completely disagree with the proposal to close off that section of beach to dogs between 8am-6pm
81	Peel tce, busselton	Busselton Jetty - Russell Rd. Lifestyle that people have enjoyed for years if before lunch they go down for a swim with their pooch in Geo Bay and now you are asking them to change their habits.
82	Kent St, Busselton	Make area East of the jetty exercise area.
83	Geographe Bay Rd, Busselton	Proposal far too restrictive, most people swim from Ford Rd to Jetty and equidistant west side of jetty. Consider restricting from Ford Rd to Gale St. Ban 500m each side of the jetty beach.
84	Marine Tce, Busselton	Majority of people do the right thing. Make dog free zones around the jetty, the Goose and near the playground area and leave the beach for all to enjoy. Having to drive your dog would cause congestion in the new carpark and Geo Bay Rd.
85	Fairbairn Rd, Busselton	Restricted area from the Goose to Marine Rescue. I think dogs should be leashed all the time. I walk my dog down there during the day and there are no people on the beach, why close it to dogs?

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS
DOG EXERCISE, RESTRICTED & PROHIBITED AREAS

MAP 3 - WEST BUSSELTON, BROADWATER & ABBEY

ENQUIRY NUMBER	EMAIL / ADDRESS	SUBMISSION
1	Greyteal Place, Broadwater	Happy with the hours for restricted areas and happy that Dolphin Rd will now be an exercise area.
2	Email address provided	I write to you as my elected members to intervene in a current proposal to open up an area from Newtown beach to Dolphin road as a dog free beach. In my opinion this would be a ludicrous backward decision as the area is where most of the resorts and caravan parks are situated, together with high density housing and aged cared facilities . To allow dogs to roam unleashed on the same beaches used by holiday makers and locals as outlined above is a disaster waiting to happen. As an alternative, I would recommend the proposal that dogs be allowed off leash before 8 am and after 6 pm. as is suggested in other current proposals. The current dog off leash beach Newtown boat ramp to Harnett St seems a perfectly adequate area in my opinion.I urge all councillors to investigate this proposed dog off leash area and act in the interest of public health and safety.
3	Kingfisher Blvd	I see the area from Craig St through to Dolphin boat ramp is restricted between 1st Dec to 30th April. This is fair enough during the holiday times but I feel this area should extend up to Silverglen Way or Alan St for this period as a lot of people use these beaches for swimming, fishing and boating over the holidays. They have access from the Dolphin car park where they can park safely and people from Mandalay Caravan Park also use this section of the beach and I don't think they or any other people would enjoy dogs running freely when they are swimming or laying on the beach. A small child would also be at risk from these dogs as some owners don't control their animals while at the beach and off the leash. While I am writing this letter I suggest the City of Busselton purchase a 4 wheel quad bike and police the new areas.

4	St Andrews Cres, Canningvale	<p>It was brought to my attention today that your council is proposing restrictions on the dog exercise areas on Map 3. I am not a local resident, but I holiday between Earnshaw Rd and Craig St at least 12-15times every year with approximately 8 of those visits being in the peak holiday period of December - March. I consider this to be the most ludicrous decision a council could possibly make. My family love staying on Geographe Bay Road because it caters to my children and our dog. In the 20+ years that I have been holidaying on Geographe Bay Road I have never witnessed or heard of any issues arising from people walking or playing with their dogs on the beach.</p> <p>Furthermore, what about the local residents of that strip of beach? Are they insignificant? Do you place a higher value on your holiday makers then you do on your rate payers? They maintain their homes to a high standard (for the betterment of the Busselton Shire) they pay their rates, and they use that strip of beach 365 days a year. Why would you take away their right to exercise their dogs for the summer holiday period. Where is the loyalty to your local citizens?</p> <p>Aren't we as a society meant to be encouraging families, recreation and healthy lifestyles? I don't think loading the family car up and driving to the "allocated" dog exercise area when there is a perfectly good beach over the road is promoting very much at all.....! So please, take it from a holiday maker. Let the locals, and the holiday makers enjoy that strip of beach with our children and our dogs.</p>
5	Ashcove Place, Busselton	<p>Re map 3 section B Sorry I don't believe dogs should be off a lead in this area as it is a very popular swimming and walking beach for families.</p> <p>There are often many children around and I don't think there should be dogs there. Surely there is a more remote area further away that is more suitable for exercising dogs.</p>
6	PO Box , West Busselton	<p>What are you doing this for? The area from Craig St to Dolphin Rd is used by local people to exercise their dogs before they go to work and then retirees use the beach to exercise their dogs when it is quiet ususally between 8am - 10:30am. Most of these dogs are small and their owners are responsible and control the dogs and pick up after them. While walking I pick up bottles, cans, plastic bags and dirty nappies left by users of the beach. The people leave more mess than the dogs. Many retirees walk from the other side of the highway, down Earnshaw Rd, then onto the beach. It will make for a longer walk to get to the beach and some of the people and dogs are elderly and it is too far. Not everyone wants to get the car out before they walk. I suppose this new law id to cater for the holidaymakers from Amalfi and Beachlands. Again the rate payer is punished to accommodate the tourist. Please see reason and leave the beach for the locals. I also contact the City of Busselton each year by letter or phone to complain about beach goers parking on the multi purpose path bewteen Craig St and Earnshaw Rd. Each year nothing gets done. The elderly from Ray Village either have to try and drive their gophers up over the sand dune or out onto the road. Small children on bikes also have to wobble onto the road and often fall off their bikes. Why wait until someone is hit by a car to act. I kow there is a yellow line marked on the road. That is why people park on the path or the dunes. If sign pollution is a problem why not paint "no parking" on the path? I suggest this two years ago and was told "that's a good idea" but again nothing was done.</p>

7	Email address provided	OBJECT - We object to having unleashed dogs on the Beach in a built up tourist area. The number of kids and adults that use the beach it would not be a very sensible idea, more dog attacks are more likely and more dogs using the beach as toilets. There are some people that don't like dogs or are scared of them, let's not scare anymore of our tourists away from our beaches
8	Murdoch Way, Abbey	OBJECT - Who in their right mind should come up with this crazy notion. Does Busselton not value its tourist influx any more. You have all the resorts along that area (not dog kennels) you also have 2 age care housing facilities. These people still like to go for a walk along the beach without being attacked or walking in doggie doo. Yes I hear you say the shire provides bags for this purpose!! ha ha let me tell you, people only use the bag if someone is watching. Where are all these people going to park???? It seems the shire is putting dogs before human rights. I am a dog owner so don't think I'm against dogs but this proposal will be a disaster.
9	McDonald St, Como	As a tourist to Busselton I am opposed to having the dog beaches along the stretch of beach where the holiday accommodation is situated i.e. Mandalay and Geographe Bay Holiday Park etc. (refer Map 3). A more suitable location would be at an out of town beach away from families enjoying their beach holiday.
10	Mandalay Holiday Resort	As owners of Mandalay Holiday Resort, we object to having a dog exercise beach directly in front of our resort. We average, up to 750 guests stay per night over December/January and 450 guests per night over February/March, 200 guests per night over October/November. We promote our beach as the main attraction being safe for families. I don't believe it would be safe to allow dogs to exercise in the area between Dolphin Road and Newtown Beach. It would detract what we are promoting for Busselton, a safe family holiday. It is where nearly all the resorts in Busselton are situated, Restawhile Motel, Mandalay Holiday Resort, Lazy Days Caravan Park, Sandy Bay Holiday Park, Broadwater Resort, Geographe Bay Holiday Park, Grand Mercure, Abbey Beach Resort, Bayview Geographe Resort, Aqua Resort, Amblin Caravan Park, Cape Forte Apartments and Peppermint Park Eco Village. The holiday makers from 14 Resorts, Accommodation and Caravan Parks use this Beach. I walk along this beach (between Dolphin Rd & Newtown Beach Rd) almost every day. The dog owners I see each day are responsible however I would not like to see unrestricted dog exercise along that beach. All the 14 resorts along this beach do not allow dogs except us, we however allow dogs to stay in our Caravan Park from 8th May to 30th November each year and promote safe, responsible dog ownership, but do not allow them during the busy warm months.
11	Jones Way, Abbey	The proposals outlined in Map 2 and Map 3 represent an elitist mentality for the Shire council looking after the interests of a select few along Geographe Bay Road and Siesta Park. Certainly have dog restricted areas around the town centre and jetty areas for Tourist Season that makes sense, however, the remainder smacks of preferential treatment for wealthy landowners along the waterfront areas. Make it dog exercise areas from King Street West to Dunsborough.
12	Gannet Court, Geographe	Area 3 – West Busselton, Broadwater & Abbey Not able to comment as I do not exercise my dogs in this area and I am not familiar with the area as much. My only comment would be that the restricted area A appears to be where most residential houses are situated, which makes it again impractical for people with busy lifestyles (children, work) to exercise their dogs properly.

13	Jones Way, Abbey	Proposal 1 and Restriction A, I agree that for the purposes of tourism some areas around Busselton City should have 'dog prohibited areas' however the proposal to make the section 'A' and insert '1' are elitist options. Neither of these options have any supporting merits and appear to be being considered to placate a wealthy minority in this community. Make it dog exercise area King Street car park all the way west to Dunsborough. Newtown boat ramp exclusion has merits. If the issue is associated with the ability of Shire Ranger to police the current areas designated as dogs on lead, I suggest provide the Rangers with quad bikes and have them ride along the beach areas. This will serve several purposes. It will assist in: the prevention of unruly/antisocial behaviour, litter control, shark surveillance for the coastline and adherence to dogs on lead exercise areas.
14	Bussell Hwy, Busselton	We don't agree to your restricted dog area. We have been able to take our dog for a walk and swim down the beach for the past two years. Also other dogs that we have owned before. They are on leads and also we are the owners who clean up after our animal. Also I find it difficult to walk along the pathway at the time you nominate due to runners and cyclists on the path way at the same time, as we are in each others way.
15	Waterlily Cove, Eagle Bay	We wish to see the current dog exercise area at Eagle Bay remain unchanged. We believe this is a satisfactory compromise for beachgoers and dog owners. The area from Jingarmup Creek to Little Rocky Point is the best area for dogs to be exercised. The main swimming beach from the Creek to the Regional Park needs to be restricted. Dogs should not be allowed access to this zone.
16	2 Norman Road, Busselton	We object to this crazy idea of a proposed new dog exercise area for Map 3. We at Sandy Bay Holiday Park have lots and lots of families with children who love using the beach. If you bring in this ruling then we will have the same scenario as we saw last night on TV where this poor elderly lady got badly bitten by a dog and her dog got killed by this dog not on a lead. As it is, at the moment we are having to pick up dog poo all over the place as dog owners do not do the right thing of picking up their mess. It is a BIG NO NO FROM SANDY BAY HOLIDAY PARK
17	Bussell Highway Busselton	This restriction being removed will have an adverse effect on our tourism guest - to an already struggling and painful industry in the South West region. I, at this stage, am talking primarily for map 3 - West Busselton, Broadwater and Abbey region. Appreciate if you can look at this with a clear view the affect it has on this industry-which we do survive on in this region.
18	Geographe Bay Road, Busselton	I wish to comment on proposed restrictions to exercising dogs on the beach between Craig Street and Dolphin Road. I have lived opposite this beach for 20 years and have not experienced significant problems with the current restrictions. At present dogs are allowed if on a leash and of course it is the owners responsibility to dispose of dog excretia. I cannot see how anyone is inconvenienced by this arrangement. The beach is rarely crowded even in Summer, and this seems like regulation to no purpose. There are sometime stray dogs on the beach but this issue is not addressed by regulations or changes in signage. The community appears largely happy with existing arrangements so why changes them?

19	Dawson Avenue Busselton	I object to Maps 2 & 3 as these areas are in the main concentration areas of people, the Jetty foreshore and the tourist accommodation parks. Even now with dogs supposed to be on leads, many are not and with regulations removed, more accidents will happen. Along the jetty foreshore and beachfronts at Broadwater Resort, Abbey Beach Resort, Cape Forte, Siesta Park, etc, many people are swimming, exercising, training, walking or there with small children enjoying their holidays. These are high traffic areas during summer. Having loose dogs put them all at risk. Unfortunately all dog owners are not responsible and the general public has a right to be safe in these high traffic areas. With the new recreation areas being constructed at the jetty foreshore, everyone should be allowed to use the areas with no danger of dogs roaming loose. All dogs should be on leads in public areas! No one-tourist or resident should be placed in the danger of dog attacks. As public liability consequences are high I wonder why the City of Busselton would want to put themselves in the firing line if a serious dog attack takes place. Dog exercise areas should not be in high traffic public areas. Thank you.
20	Beaufort Cres, Busselton	Agree with proposal
21	Armstrong Rd, Busselton	Agree with proposal
22	Isaacs St, Busselton	Limited hours in summer fair enough because area is close to kids parks and caravan parks
23	Lincoln St, Abbey	Awesome, plenty of space
24	Cambridge Blvd, Abbey	Useful stretches of beach to exercise dogs. Signage must be on the beach because it needs to be seen at source (not just at the road or path)
25	Doyle Road Ambergate	I object to area 3A of West Busselton that no dogs are allowed on the beach in those hours. As long as people have their dog on a lead at all times I feel it is fine. It is bad enough that there is no to not enough parking along this strips of beach of Geographe Bay Road from the Hospital to Beachlands Caravan Park, its disgraceful
26	Little Colin Street Busselton Forte Cape View Apartments	Forte Cape View Apartments would like to register an objection to the proposed dog exercise area in front of the property. Given the problems with sharks in the water and people fears of them to allow dog on the beach off lead would mean that not only is the water unsafe but the beach also! This would impact on our business. Earlier this year we had to call the Ranger as a guest was bitten by a dog which was not on the lead while they were on the beach in front of the property! There are plenty of beach areas away from the holiday properties which could be dog exercise beaches. Please keep out beach area for holiday makers who want to relax with their children without the fear of random dogs rushing up to them and chasing them.
27	Holgate Road Busselton	The dog access beach area will be right in front of many resorts on the Bussell Highway and these beaches are popular family areas for children. Currently many people have their dogs on these beaches already and rather than implementing that entire area to be a dog exercise area, the council should be monitoring these areas and ensuring people are following the guidelines and rules of having dogs on leashes. By opening up this area, it will detract from the beautiful, quiet and restful beach for tourists and locals as people are already not following rules and keeping dogs on leashes, and quite often people are not picking up after their dogs either which creates an offensive swimming and walking area.
28	Coral Cres, Busselton	Good idea

29	Lern Lane, Broadwater	Area A should extend west to align with Harnett St as that would capture Broadwater Beach Resort. Plus the big caravan parks where visitors want to use the beach with their children & these people don't have dogs as travelling in caravan parks. Also as a local I feel the restricted dates should be adjusted ie. Commencing in 1 Dec is too late. Reason being general public start swimming in november. Please consider extending area A to make the dog free area larger and making restricted dog exercise area dates 1 Nov to 1 March or 1 April.
30	Kelsey Cove, Busselton	I want to lodge my complaint of opening up a dog exercise area, Dolphin Rd to Newtown Beach. This is where all the resorts, caravan parks, private houses and aged care facilities are. Please keep current restrictions for dog beaches to allow dogs off leash, Newtown to Harvest Rd. These new proposed areas open up a minfield for litigation both for the general public and Shire.
31	West St, Busselton	I wish to make a submission regarding the dog exercise area of King St and Craig St. King St is a very busy swimming area and takes in the Yacht Club which seems stupid. I suggest the area from High St and King St or if possible from Gale St to King St as that area is not used that often be made available for unprohibited dog exercise area.
32	Broadwater Boulevard, Broadwater	As a responsible dog owner I believe every rate payer has the right to access shire facilities. I feel the proposed Dog exercise area is really in the incorrect location as most of the proposed area's are in front of Resorts and caravan parks with high volume's of tourist and children coming to our region for our beach location. The impact of Dogs along this area could be harmful to the Tourism sector and I also believe could potentially be an OHS issue with some dogs due to owners neglect of there responsibility. We are happy with the current locations for Dog exercise areas along the foreshore. With the new proposed areas my other concerns are how will the shire police these areas and enforce the curfew;s during DEC thru to APR . As the majority of dog owners are responsible owners if the proposed areas do proceed the minority (irresponsible dog owners) could impact on our amenity for locals and also more concerning is that the irresponsible dog owners potential impact on tourism being located in front of all the major Resorts and Caravan parks. We would be happy with an area from the Abbey Boat Ramp heading South towards the Holy Mile area and north of Dolphon Boat Ramp in sections similar to now.
33	Leeuwin Blvd, Busselton	Maybe more times. Can see why people are not happy on Map 3 past the jetty
34	Daines Way, Broadwater	This area is used by families staying at the near by resorts. The beach is also used by local people, there are enough dog beaches in the area. I don't want to have dogs and thoughtless dog owners fouling the beach and not picking it up. We wouldn't let our children foul the beach so why should we let dogs.
35	Geographe Bay Rd, Broadwater	I strongly object to changing the beach from Dolphin Rd to NewTown beach boat ramp to a Dog Exercise Beach. I am a regular beach user, walking along the beach in the mornings & evenings plus swimming & enjoying the ambience of our beach. The dog owners who use the beach at present do not cause a problem because they know that this beach is for dogs on leash. If we allow unfettered access for dogs I would be in fear for my safety, my family and my grandchildren. Thousands of summer visitors also use this beach. I do not think it is a wise idea to allow the best tourist beach in Australia to become a Dog Beach. The beach is used by thousands of families who stay in the resorts and caravan parks who do not allow dogs. I see see the Dog Excercise Beach as a real deterrent to the local tourism economy along with the shark attacks in the water and now the potential for dog bites on the beach. Please leave our beach as a controlled dog on leash beach for all our enjoyment.

36	Chancery Way, Busselton	<p>As a regular user of the area outlined in map 3 (West Busstelton, Broadwater and Abbey) I strongly object to this area being re-zoned as a dog beach. As a parent of a toddler the appeal of this section of beach is that i can let me child play on the sand or the edge of the water with out the fear of being bowled over or worse, bitten by a dog. The current dog owners that use the beach appear to be of the understanding of keeping their dogs on leads with them, so currently pose very little risk, however I fear that this would change if re-zoned as less responsible dog owners may be inclined to also use this beautiful stretch of beach. Should this change take place now we not only have to be in fear of sharks at our beaches, but also dogs? Surely the current space allocated to be dog friendly is sufficient. I know that it would certainly deter myself and other young families from using Busselton's beautiful beaches which would be a real shame.</p>
37	Siesta Park Road, Siesta Park	<p>There are several points I wish to raise after studying maps in town display and attending public consultation meeting evening 20th November. 1. 'Restricted' areas appear to be more accurately defined as 'prohibited areas' between hours of 8am and 6pm for large parts of the summer months (most popular dog walking months. Suggestions: Restriction to be redefined as - dogs on a leash in these areas - Most people reading restricted would understandably define this to mean on a leash as I did on initial interpretation. This is a potentially misleading wording. 2. If 'restricted' areas are deemed by the larger population to be warranted, the hours in any defined 'restricted' area should be changed to 10am to 4pm - as the most popular times when other beach users would likely inhabit beach for recreation other than walking. 3. By placing prohibited areas and 'restricted' areas on large portions of the beach - the likelihood of pushing larger populations of dogs and people are not familiar with would likely escalate dog socialisation problems, and increase the likelihood of upsetting and frustrating dog walkers. 4. Some areas do not make sense ie the Siesta Park area (area 3 inset) where most dog walkers from experience let their dogs off leash in a relatively unpopulated area between the Siesta Park groyne and the church camps. This has been proposed as a restricted area (why?). The resulting consequence of this is potentially to push dogs to the more populated area that are frequented by larger numbers of people - ie Siesta Park Holiday Resort and the more densley populated Abbey area of Geographe Bay Road. My observation of being a frequent dog walker in tis area during these months, is that the low density of people and dogs mix well with very few exceptions in this Siesta Park reserve, Locke Estate area. People with common sense and respect sort this out quite well themselves. People either respect either avoid the church camp areas when people are staying there or return their dogs to the leash. 5. Dogs need to be exercised off a lead for some of the time. As pointed out at the community meeting, dogs can become quite under socialised and territorial, verging on aggressive and protective, straining to reach other dogs, when restricted to a leaad for all of the time. Current laws exist and should be maintained to penalise people who are not in control of their dogs when not on a lead. 6. Lastly and most importantly, the development of 'restricted' and prohibited areas and defining the beach in zones has the potential to upset a current common respect and consideration that people mostly have for each other. (Yes i know that the rangers could tell some stories of a select minority of inconsideration people. These people will remain - law or no law). The danger is that some people could be confused in designated dog exercise areas to believe in their priority use and insisting on their 'rights' because they are in a designated dog exercise area. This could have potential to overrule the cooperation, common respect and common sense that mostly prevails now. I believe the 'need' to introduce these defined areas should be carefully considered in contrast to the potential to create a problem that largely not exist currently.</p>

38	Melaleuca Drivem West Bsn	Between 10am-4pm on weekends, public and school holidays - that dogs are off beaches.
39	Bignell Drive, Busselton	I have no objections to these restrictions at all. My preference is to walk my dog early morning to avoid the heat during the summer months. People should not walk their animals on hot pavement or sand during the heat of the day. These are extensive areas for dog exercise and should people wish to walk their pets between 8am and 6pm then they can simply transport their pets to a suitable area.
40	Wirraway Place, Pepi Park	I have lived in Busselton 40 years. I have always run my various dogs on the beach FREE. Now & for the past 2 years, I have been running my dogs at Siesta Park Beach. They always come at the whistle and I do remove dog "dooings". Most healthy dogs, out run humans, 10-1 & need regular off lead exercise. My request is please don't take this area or restrict it as I hope to continue using this area into the future for many more days to come.
41	Boyle St, Busselton	Area from Holgate Rd to Harnett St lots of young families and tourists use this beach due to resorts etc in area.
42	Stanford Drive, Abbey	Pleased to see greater area for dog access in abbey area. Restrirtions on the Geographe side are too restrictive with time and area. Would like to see access on leads in the Jetty area.
43	Geographe Bay Rd, Abbey	Strongly disagree with the proposal to allow dogs unleashed on Abbey beach between Forth St and the ramp. It will make it unsafe and unclean for the many residents and holiday makers from the adjacent caravan park on Caves Rd.
44	Davies Way, Busselton	Dolphin Rd southwest to Newtown beach rd. This area takes in at least 10 beach resorts. Can't imagine groups of tourists would be impressed about dog running free along the beach, especially those with young people.

45	Email address provided	<p>As the owners of Mandalay Holiday Resort and residents in Broadwater, we strongly object to the proposed change of dog use from Dolphin Road to Newtown Beach Boat Ramp to become a Dog Exercise Beach. That stretch of beach has 13 resorts, holiday apartments and caravan parks along it. It is the most iconic piece of beach for thousands of visitors in the Busselton region other than the Jetty Foreshore. Mandalay Holiday Resort, Restawhile Motel, Lazy Days Caravan Park, Sandybay Holiday Park, Geographe Bay Holiday Park, Broadwater Resort, The Grand Mrecure, Abbey Beach Resort, Amblin Caravan Park, The Geographe Bayview Resort, Aqua Resort, Cape Forte Apartments and Peppermint Park Eco Village. All these resorts and accommodation do not allow dogs over summer. Our beach is marketed and advertised as a safe family beach. Domestic tourism has been struggling in Busselton in recent times due to the shark attacks. We do not need to have the threat of dog bites as well. At Mandalay we have just completed a major \$750,000 capital development in building our third swimming pool a new 20m x 14m pool with lap lane and a large family waterslide to try and bring people back to Busselton for beach holidays. For the busy months of December/January we have up to 750 guests per night, 400 per night over February/March, 250 per night over October/ November and 750 per night over Easter. We are trying to increase the number of families that stay with us during our shoulder seasons. We spend as much as \$150,000 per year on marketing Busselton for safe family beach holidays. Dolphin Road boat ramp and Newtown Beach boat ramps both have water ski areas, they get extremely busy over summer with boats, jetskis and all manner of water craft along with families accessing the beach from the car parks. It would be a disaster if these areas were turned into dog exercise beaches. The present dogs on a leash restrictions works well on our beach. The dog owners tend to know the rules. I walk on the beach from Dolphin Road as far as Little Colin St almost every day and find the dog owners polite and have their dogs well behaved. I would not like to see that changed to a Dog Exercise Beach so the dogs can run uncontrolled amongst families enjoying the beach. If a dog annoys or scares a family on a Dog Exercise Beach, the family has no rights to ask that the dog be removed or put on a leash. It will only create animosity for beach users, loss of enjoyment and loss of our clientele. There are other areas of beach in Geographe Bay that do not have the heavy visitor numbers that could be used as a Dog Beach. Please keep the present restrictions on our beach.</p>
46	Pearce Rd, Abbey	<p>Re Map 3 May i suggest the Restricted area should be Newtown beach rd to Locke St. Because the skiing area finishes at Locke St we are getting an ever increasing number of people spending a whole day in this area and now there will be a lot more as a result of the increased facility at the launching ramp (a wonderful addition) My suggestion is simple and it makes</p>
47	Locke At, Abbey	<p>Bunyunup Drain to Newtown Beach Rd - Do not agree with restrictions for 5 months of the year. We walk along here with our kids and they go to bed at 6:30 so restriction to 6 is unacceptable. We pick up rubbish that is left by fishermen and tourists etc.</p>
48	Locke At, Abbey	<p>Bunyunup Drain to Newtown Beach Rd - Do not agree with restrictions for 5 months of the year. We walk along here with our kids and they go to bed at 6:30 so restriction to 6 is unacceptable. We pick up rubbish that is left by fishermen and tourists etc.</p>

49	John St, Abbey	As local dog owners we see the need for some restrictions. We would like to see the following changes to the proposed changes. (1) Summer time restricted access to go from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. We are on the beach at Abbey each day and see very few people on the beach before 9 a.m. in the morning for the purpose of swimming/sunbathing. At this time we see many dog walkers with their dogs but very few holidaymakers. (2) We also would like to see the restricted area on our beach at Abbey (and elsewhere in Busselton) only in operation for the summer school holidays, mid December to the end of January , maybe also for Easter as it is often busy then.
50	Willmott Street Geographe	I don't like this proposal think it is wrong why cant you just leave it how it is. But yes I do agree on keeping the dogs off the beach area around the jetty area but why the rest of the beaches and why those times. I don't like it because children finish school around 3pm and on a hot day like to go to the beach after school for a swim to cool down and they would also like to take thei pet. also school holidays we will be restricted to go to the beach during the day with our family pets, yes family thats what they are. Also we have a lot of holiday houses in Busselton and I know a few that lets you bring your pets so that will mean that families who come down here with their pet wont be able to either. Please jut drop the idea and just live it to no dogs around the jetty area and leave the reast as it is. How about putting poles with doggie bags on them so then people can clean up if they need to and a little bin.
51	Alexander Rd, Busselton	Don't agree with the section from Earnshaw Rd to Dolphin Rd. Should be dog on leash during these times not banned all together.
52	Caves Rd, Siesta Park	Our family established Siesta Park Holiday Resort in 1946 and today 66 years on our property remains in its entirety. We enjoy a 400m absolute ocean frontage to Geographe Bay and we offer 50 self contained units of accommodation and a caravan park component to be reintroduced in 2013. We have a no dogs policy for all our guests all year round and this has been the case for 20 or so years now. We like dogs ourselves and have one small breed dog in the family. Our holiday park is nature based with an ECO accreditation and is simplistic in essence. We have no pool and guests use the ocean to swim so the beach is a highly used. The large majority of our guests are families with young children and the safe and carefree use of the beach by our guests is extremely important with the influence of dogs is of great interest to us. To date we have not any insurmountable problems regarding the dogs on the beach as the volume is low and contained by in large to local residents. Under current local dog regulations I do not foresee any problems developing for us along our local section of beach that cannot be dealt with. Under the proposed new dog regulations we do however foresee an unreasonable rise in the potential for problems to our guests and the locals who reside here. The proposed new dog regulations map the beach in front of our property as an all year round dog exercise area where dogs are to be officially allowed off leash all year round, even during our peak holiday season. Under the current regulations however dogs are officially to be walked on leash in our area. Thus the proposed new policy effectively seeks to erode the official protection that we now enjoy. In addition the proposed new policy seeks to introduce a number of seasonal prohibited dog areas through the Bay (from 8am to 6pm) and it is reasonable to expect that dog issues experienced in those areas will be pushed into the official 'Dog Exercise Areas' like our own beach frontage plus any new related issues caused by the change of habit.

This would of course happen during the peak tourist season, with no opportunity to ask the dog owner 'can you please put your dog on a leash' or any useful local regulation for the Ranger to assist with. The thought of this potential is a real concern. In considering the proposed new dog exercise rules and I initially ask myself what is the problem that is trying to be solved and how big is this problem. As I have indicated above, for the area in front of our holiday park and either way for 800m or so I am not aware of any out of control problem so what actually is the problem and who is agitating for the quite different set of new regulations? With regards to the proposal as it related to the whole of the Busselton/Dunsborough I find it hard to contemplate how this proposal can be thought to be simpler and more workable than the current policy. I understand the current policy as explained on the City of Busselton website at <http://www.busselton.wa.gov.au/services/rangers/dog/exercise> The current policy allows 100% of Geographe Bay beaches to be enjoyed by dog owners with dogs officially on leashes and a limited number of areas where dogs are officially allowed off leashes. By comparison I believe that the amount of education, signage and policing required by rangers to uphold compliance to the yearly and seasonal dog prohibited areas and times would involve far more of their time and ratepayers monies than is being spent on this issue now. Without fully understanding the perceived problem it is hard to make constructive suggestions but at my level of understanding I suggest the City make little or no change to its existing policy and if there is a minority element of problem deal with those individuals and do not take to the whole community with a raft of complicated new regulations. The ideas of prohibiting dogs on the main town beaches and allowing dogs to be exercised on unused parks however seems to have merit.

In summary may I offer a few common sense points principles that seem to relate — A dog off a leash may not cause injury but can easily intimidate children and people of any age.- It is nice to know that at present if required a dog owner can respectfully be asked to leash their dog (if not already) on the majority of Busselton's beaches- It is very concerning to think that a policy could be introduced will mean that people can expect to find free running dogs on the majority of Busselton's beaches and they have no right to ask the owner to restrain their dog (or call the Ranger to assist).- Rules and penalties should only be employed when required with overly troublesome dog owners.- In trying to solve one problem be careful not to create several others.- When a minority create a problem deal with the minority and do not penalise the majority.

52	Peel Tce, Busselton	<p>I am writing in response to the City of Busselton's request for community comment Proposed Dog Exercise, Restricted & Prohibited Areas. These comments relate specifically to 'Map 3: West Busselton Broadwater and Abbey' and 'Map 4: Dunsborough'. These comments are made on behalf of the GBTA's 400 tourism and related businesses, which will be directly or indirectly affected by the proposed changes.</p> <p>The City of Busselton attracts over 500,000 visitors with a direct spend of \$247 million annually, making the City the most visited destination in Western Australia outside of the City of Perth (TWA, LGA Factsheets, 2009/10/11) and part of the top tourism earning regions in Australia (TRA, Economic Importance of Tourism in Australia's Regions, 2011). The region, in particular Busselton and Dunsborough, is positioned as 'Western Australia's Natural Playground' under the brand 'Geographe Bay', with its safe, pristine beaches a central pillar in this branding strategy. A recent survey of visitors to the region (MERG, Visitor Survey, 2012) has revealed that 'natural attractions' consistently attracts visitors most to the region.</p> <p>One of the unique experiences Busselton and Dunsborough offers visitors within the wider region is absolute beachfront accommodation. The proposed unrestricted areas on 'Map 3' and 'Map 4', in particular 'Map 3, Harnett Street to Earnshaw Road, West Busselton' support a considerable number of large operators offering this experience. For example, the accommodation providers affected by the changes on 'Map 3', provide 4,500 bed nights of the 13,000 available in the City. In addition to bed nights, these operators also make a significant contribution to the promotion of the region through their own marketing activities.</p> <p>A clean and safe beachfront is fundamental to the region's tourism offering. The GBTA strongly believes that the proposal to make these highly utilised tourist areas 'unrestricted' interferes with the 'natural attraction' currently available, and the experience that tourist operators are able to provide to visitors. The GBTA understands currently these areas have restricted dog access (ie. dogs must be on leads), and strongly supports the continuation of this. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me on 0411 232 854.</p>
53	Jones Way Abbey	<p>OBJECT: We do not agree with the extension of the dog exercise areas along the beach front Abbey Boat Ramp to Broadwater area. The past areas have been fine however the increased numbers of dogs off leashes and not controlled by owners has proven to be quite a nuisance. We have no objection to owning dogs, as we have done so ourselves but numbers of animals and people have increased so much in that area. The boat ramp should be where dogs can be, because no one swims there much and the families are more to the east of that area. Dawson Park is a 'Dog Prohibited' park with signs quite visible but no one reads the sign and dogs are there very often not on leashes and lots of children Thank you.</p>

54	50 Seymour Street, Busselton	<p>Whilst the proposal for dog restrictions during PEAK times/dates are a good idea, particularly if it means that the whole beach area is reviewed and other areas opened up for dog exercise in off peak times/dates, the current proposal of 5 months of the year, all day every day is far too extensive. Monday to Friday, during school term time, the beaches are hardly used by anyone other than those with dogs or kayaks. How about making the restrictions for school holiday periods only from Christmas to Easter? From Christmas Day to the end of January is when the popular Busselton beaches are busy (and frankly not much fun to walk dogs as there are too many sandcastles to be checked out .Then if we could have other, currently "no dogs" stretches opened up for the off-season/Winter, we could lawfully walk our dogs on deserted beaches, in wind and rain, without having half an eye out for the ranger!And just a note: As a paid dog-walker, I walk other people's dogs, on leash on footpaths, all over Busselton. Certain areas, Abbey and Cambridge Estate spring to mind, are riddled with loose dogs whose owners allow them to be out the front of their houses, unfenced.Of course, they come bounding up when they see another dog, putting themselves at risk from cars and generally making life tricky. I've spoken to several people on my walks who won't walk their dogs because of this loose dog, "he's just out the front and he's friendly" mentality, which seems to be prevalent throughout the quieter suburbs. It would be ironic to receive a fine for inadvertently exercising a dog on the beach during restricted times, as a responsible dog owner, and yet have had to pass 20 odd loose dogs, and unfined owners, to get there.</p>
55	Averil St, Abbey	<p>A number of visitors and local residents use the beach in front of all the resorts and holiday villages in Broadwater, it seems incomprehensible and illogical to consider these beaches becoming new dog exercise areas. Current beach from Harnett St to Newtown Beach Rd should remain as is. From Newtown Beach Rd to Forth St should be a restricted area. People wanting to exercise their dogs should use the beach west of the buayabyup drain. The beach adjacent to Ray Village should be restricted.</p>
56	Craig St, Busselton	<p>Part A hours of exclusion should be 9am to 5pm.</p>
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SUBMISSIONS
DOG EXERCISE, RESTRICTED & PROHIBITED AREAS

MAP 4 - DUNSBOROUGH, EAGLE BAY & SMITHS BEACH

ENQUIRY NUMBER	EMAIL / ADDRESS	SUBMISSION
1	Schooner Cres, Dunsborough	Fully support the Dunsborough Playing Fields becoming a restricted dog exercise area. Only suggestion is to have ample signage to inform dog owners of the times and to clean up after their dog.
2	Ridgeway Drive, Dunsborough	I object to New Dog Exercise Area D - this is the most popular section of beach for holiday makers staying in the various resorts - particularly those with young children and also includes the main Dunsborough Swimming Beach where swimming lessons are held every summer. I would request that Area D be separated into RESTRICTED ACCESS from Gifford Road to Beach Road and PROHIBITED AREA all year from Beach Road to Highview Road (joining up with Prohibited Area E). Having spent the past 19 summers at these beaches with my children (eldest now 19) I have seen many uncontrolled dogs, dogs fighting and children frightened by large dogs charging along the shoreline. There are also many dog owners who do not clean up after their dogs. I think mixing young children and dogs is a recipe for disaster. Restricting access is a great solution if you have the resources to police it. Perhaps some signage with the Shire Rangers contact number to enable beach goers to report dog offences would help as a deterrent.
3	Peron Ave, Dunsborough	Appears to be very fair. Please confirm the restricted area between Chester Way and McDermott is between 8am and 6pm only from the 1/12 to 30/4 thank you
4	PO Box , Dunsborough	Eagle Bay. The existing dog beach from the Creek to Rocky Point has been in existence for many years with no problems, locals and visitors are able to take their animals for a long walk with no problems. However, should you restrict the use of the dog beach between 1st Dec and 30th April then you will deprive owners with dogs much needed exercise for their animals with no valid reason for doing so. I would also like to point out that the main beach from Gypsy St end to the Creek has always been a no dog beach as that is the main swimming area for Eagle Bay. If you implement this restriction just how will you police it as your rangers certainly not going to have the time to do so judging by their inability to take action on dogs on the main beach over the summer period. It is to be hoped that common sense prevails and our dog beach is allowed to continue throughout the year.
5	Gibney St, Dunsborough	Glad to see you ,Busselton council , have made clear rules for summer time dog exercising I hope dogs can still be walked on leads along the paths Geographe bay rd to gifford st and hope rangers and other users will be dog friendly/ sensible in the main interface area directly at the bottom of Dunn bay Road.
6	Hakea Way, Dunsborough	I object to the proposed changes to the dog areas at Eagle Bay. I like to take my dogs down there for a walk and a swim with me. We go to the North of the boat ramp. Where you have a designated green area in Dunsborough and Quindalup is definitely not a swimming area. In fact it is the last damned place I would want to swim. Apart from the rocks, boats, jet skis, stingers and impossibly shallow water, it is too crowded. I just wonder who wants this change at Eagle Bay. It can't possibly be the local Eagle Bay residents - everyone I know there and meet all believe the same as me. I work in Eagle Bay and after a hard days work in summer, I like to collect my dogs and walk and swim near the boat ramp. It is way too far to have to go to Smith's Beach to do this. I am therefore submitting a proposal that this area be reconsidered. I don't see what harm the dogs are doing in this area of beach as everyone who uses it with their dogs respect the rules and clean up after their dogs and have control over them. Nobody seems to go past the end of the point there so maybe a Green area could be made between the Boat Ramp and the rocky outcrop before the beach curves to the North West. This area is possibly a distance of 500 to 750 metres.
7	Lorna St, Dunsborough	The proposal for Dunsborough should be amended as follows: a)...Dog Prohibited Area from Elmore Road (NOT CHESTER WAY) south west to Gifford Road. b)... "Beach area" to include (mean) both sand/beach and all grassed areas. There are public BBQ's and playgrounds east of Chester Way used by locals and tourists. You do not want dogs crapping/peeing or mixing with young children in this area when you are having a picnic for both safety and health reasons. Dogs on a leash is not an option. Area is currently labelled as such, but in reality it is not being obeyed. I personally am confronted on a regular basis (on the beach and the grassed areas) by un-leashed dogs when walking with my grand children. It is an awful experience for a youngster to be jumped on by a dog.

8	Day Dawn Rise, Eagle Bay	<p>1. The majority of Eagle Bay residents who are not permanent residents, would not have seen this ad, ratepayers who live here during the holidays and most of them come down here with their dogs.</p> <p>2. In the past 20 years which I have experienced, it has been a good practice for everyone to exercise their dogs on the designated area, left from the creek to the end of the beach towards Rocky Point.</p> <p>3. the area is signposted and has been used accordingly.</p> <p>4. Why change a winning formula?</p> <p>5. Eagle Bay has a designated no dogs area right from the steps where the shop used to be to the end of Eagle Bay beach, an area which is far larger than the one designated for exercising the dogs.</p>
9	Seaview Rise, Eagle Bay	9.00am to 4.30pm would be a far more practical time line for dog exercise at Eagle Bay. My experience would suggest that there is very little chance of family swimmers/dog interaction during this time without putting the onus on dog owners to do the very early or very late walk with their dogs.
10	Fern Rd, Eagle Bay	I am writing in regard to the proposed dog ban during daylight hours in Eagle Bay, it is utterly absurd. It is already so difficult to go anywhere with our beloved dogs and now I won't be able to take them to the beach where we swim every day, please don't make life so full of restrictions and regulations, it is infuriating. We live in the best country in the world but it is by far the most regulated, our foreign visitors can't believe the restrictions that we put up with. The dog beach is fine, just leave it how it is.
11	Kestrel St, Eagle Bay	This is a sensible compromise, however it must be enforced to be at all meaningful
12	Kestrel St, Eagle Bay	It is very important to protect Meelup Regional Park foreshore from Dogs off leash, however I am not averse to walking dogs on leash on the beach during the day.
13	Picquet Close, Eagle Bay	Dogs have not been a problem on the Eagle Bay beaches so why do you even think of making changes when the majority enjoy having their dogs on the beach.
14	Picquet Close, Eagle Bay	As a dog owner living in eagle bay, I believe that restricting dogs between 8am and 6pm during summer is unfair, especially given the lack of alternative places to exercise dogs in the Eagle Bay area due to the proximity of national park etc (about 6 kilometers of coastline and bushland between eagle bay and dunsborough are off limits to dogs all year round) There are many alternative beaches for people who have an aversion to dogs to enjoy either side of the proposed restriction area
15	Sunrise Close, Eagle Bay	Based on people movements at Eagle Bay. I believe the proposed time frame is too long. It seems more appropriate to have it from say mid December to mid March. Also the daily restriction could be reduced to say 9.00am to 5.00pm. For your consideration.
16	Brand Cl, Dunsborough	<p>The time allocations are absolutely ridiculous!!! I am a mother of two young children and a dog who requires walking every day. The time restrictions would mean that in summer, my dog would not get any exercise, because by 6pm I have to be home to bath and feed my children. This would cause problems in my neighbourhood because I would have a very frustrated dog barking because he has not been walked!</p> <p>The area in Dunsborough is very confusing. Why is there a small zone that prohibits dogs in the middle of two exercise areas? It makes a long walk very difficult and will be very confusing for people who are not familiar to the area. Please reconsider this proposal.</p>
17	Picquet Close, Eagle Bay	We live on the beach-front in the middle of Eagle Bay and we therefore know better than most, that almost everybody really enjoys taking their best (4 legged) friends along 'our' beach, every day. Many strangers get to know each other and make friends through their dogs on Eagle Bay Beach and it would be a terrible idea and a shame to exclude happy dogs from this friendly beach - all because a few unfriendly miserable dog haters. Please don't let a sad minority spoil things for the happy majority of dog lovers.
18	Gannet Court, Geographe	Dog owners are already very restricted to take their dogs to the beach in Dunsborough, Yallingup and its surroundings. If proposed dog restricted areas at Smith Beach and Eagle Bay will be put into place local dog owners and tourists with dogs alike have nowhere to go with their dogs anymore apart from Dunsborough itself. As mentioned above, there are many dog owners who would like to go to the beach with their dogs during the summer months as they view them as an important part of their family. It would be more applicable to make the proposed restricted areas smaller, so that everyone can enjoy going to the beach, including dog owners. It is also important to consider the number of tourists who would stay away as they cannot bring their dogs with them to the beach anymore as before.

19	Eagle Cres, Eagle Bay	<p>We are appalled at your proposed dog restricted and prohibition areas in the City of Busselton. In particular, the area 1 of Eagle Bay. Total prohibition of the majority of the beach area and a small area for restricted usage by dog owners is a farce! The area proposed for restricted usage between designated hours has not been studied for dog usage or beachgoer usage by any reference group or, to the best of our knowledge, no rangers have monitored this area to support the restriction and prohibition of dogs. The current dog exercise area and its usage has fitted well with both beachgoers and dog owners. Why change a system that is equitable for all users. As well, dog owners are not being disadvantaged by having to comply within a designated time frame to exercise their loved pets, and bear in mind, dog owners have a duty of care to their animals which we will not be compliant because of family priorities eg., meal times, getting children to school, sleep-ins at the weekends; all will be affected because of unwarranted changes.</p> <p>If there is a lobby group that is calling for change, they would be counted on one hand in Eagle Bay. Where complaints may come from are people who park and picnic, throw their rubbish, discard their filleted fish or defecate all on our Eagle Bay shore. Over the years we shake our heads in disbelief as we walk with our dogs, leads and doggy bags in hand along the shoreline. The dog restriction and prohibition of dogs on Eagle Bay beach will affect our lifestyle. Being seniors one of the few pleasures in life is walking our dogs along the shore. It encourages us to be active and encourages a lifestyle that is synonymous not only with Eagle Bay but with the City of Busselton. We strongly object to any proposal for restriction and prohibition of dogs in area 1 Eagle Bay. Thank you, Chris and Gail Lee City of Busselton ratepayers since 1986.</p>
20	Eagle Bay Road, Eagle Bay	<p>Reasons for objecting to restrictions The restricted period is too long (5 Months). Other than holidays this beach is relatively unused. Suggest a shorter restrictive period (perhaps only school and public holidays). Or no restrictive period at all. The dog exercise area is too small and is really the major swimming beach. Suggest the area should be enlarged at least to the rocks to the West end of Eagle Bay. This is a much less popular area for swimmers and currently a popular area for dogs. Have the majority of home owners who live outside the Busselton City been made aware of your proposal? Since they do not receive the local papers and are probably not in the habit of perusing your web site. As many of them own dogs and in the name of democracy they should be made aware of these proposed draconian restrictions. Why change what has worked well for the last 25 years. All you are going to create is more unhappiness. LEAVE IT AS IS.</p>
21	Ella Gladstone Drive, Eagle Bay	<p>Our observation over the years is that dog owners utilise the beach as a toilet stop for their pets on a daily basis. The dogs are trained for their toilet stop away from the main residence. Pets are rarely on a leash, allowed to wander amongst bathers. It seems there is a pre disposition that dogs are more important than people and that dogs have a right to access the beach at any given time. Very rarely do dog owners carry the yellow bags meant to collect dog waste on the beach, the owners turn a blind eye. We had some visitors from overseas recently who made the comment that they never seen so many dogs allowed on our beautiful pristine beaches. In Europe dogs are not allowed on any beaches where there are bathers present. There should be a total ban for dogs accessing our beaches with appropriate bold signage indicating such.</p>
22	Gibson Drive Dunsborough	<p>1. Area from Finlayson to Highview is too limited - no dogs should be on the beach in the area during the high season [orange] from end of Beach road to Finklayson St [currently shown as finlayson to Highview] 2. Dogs should be restricted from the Elmore rd lagoon at all times.</p>
23	Caladenia Close, Eagle Bay	<p>: I object to the proposed changes to the Dog Beach policy at Eagle Bay beach as I have never experienced any issues with the current arrangement. I feel that its important to encourage people to get out and exercise with their beloved dogs. People are not doing enough exercise as it is and some people only walk as a result of walking their dog, why hinder this???? We have been visiting this beach for the past year and a half and to be honest the maximum number of dogs we've ever seen on the beach at one time is about 4, really with such small numbers of dogs why would you be concerned with amending the current policy???? You are welcome to contact me for further comment.</p>
24	Naturaliste Terrace Duns	<p>The extension of the dog beach area in Eagle Bay is a welcome move but the time restriction to be imposed in this area is unnecessary. It would be easier to comment on these proposed restrictions if the rationale driving them was made available. I agree with the principle of restricted use of beaches that are heavily populated in summer but this does not apply to the 400m dog exercise area at Eagle Bay. I take my dogs to Eagle Bay approximately 4-5 days each week throughout the year so I am familiar with the beach usage. In the restricted period 1 Dec - 30 April there is approximately 50ms of rock free entry to the water and consequently people do not come to this end of the beach. They prefer to use the 2km of easily accessible beach to Point Piquet. It is certainly not a child/infant friendly area and families do not use this section. The dog exercise area is shared with boat owners and fishers. If the rationale is that dogs are dangerous or cause a nuisance to summer beach users then I suggest you consider banning boats going in and out of the water from the car park. The cavalier way people launch and retrieve their boats is scary. The dog area is not the only area under threat. Many owners drive their boats through the swimmers further down the beach in order to pick up people from the beach. Swimmers are at risk here. Because of the rocks fishers use this area. I am continually on the lookout for fishing lines and hooks in the water when I am swimming left by inconsiderate fishers. This I consider dangerous.</p>

	PO Box Dunsborough	If the rationale is that dogs are a health hazard then I ask you too look at the boat fraternity who pollute the area with petrol and 2-stroke engines or the fishers who leave gutted fish or fish bait on the beach. The restricted period from 1 Dec to 30 April is approximately 22 weeks of the which only 12 are school holidays. Eagle Bay (not just the dog area) has virtually no one on the beach in weekdays outside school holidays. There are a few people walking in the dog area but swimmers and sunbathers keep the area with Meelup Regional Park. The weekends fare no better. I usually have the beach to myself and a few other dog walkers. In the summer school holidays there are huge sections of the beach empty. Many people in summer bring their dogs to the beach and because they want access to the water or sit in a sandy beach environment they choose to sit in the Meelup Regional park area. If you challenged these people what alternative could you offer them if there is not dog beach available in Eagle Bay during the day. People without dogs have 2km of sandy, safe and accessible beach. People with dogs have 400m of rocky entry to water and share it with boat owners and fishers. Most of the people who use this area are City of Busselton residents and live here for a certain quality of life. I chose to live here after I checked out where I could go with my dogs. I ask you allow residents to keep using the dog beach as they have in the past and concentrate on the summer visitors who flout the present regulations.
25	Ollis St, Quindalup	Agree with proposal
26	Hakea Way, Dunsborough	Bayview Rd (Continuation of Beach Rd) at the moment is "Green" area. Suggest should be <u>restricted</u> dog area due to the huge number of families that use it in summer.
27	Protea Place, Dunsborough	Agree with proposal however maybe extend the hours to 7am-4pm in the orange zone. By 4pm most beach goers have left therefore I think the dogs to get some sunshine.
28	Bayview Road, Dunsborough	Nothing more than revenue raising find something usefull to waste tax payers money on
29	Vasse-Yallingup Siding Rd, Quindalup	Agree with proposal
30	Beach Rd, Dunsborough	Important for LOTS of signage, so people can't avoid. Concerned people whom are abusive or unresponsive. Hotline? Fines-serious
31	Wyadup Rd Yallingup	Smiths Beach Reserve (west of river) to rocks at end of beach. BEACH AREA ONLY Car park at western end much less restricted & less dangerous therefore much better to use this access point than river's entrance car park. I take my dog almost daily & early in the morning without any issue. Most times it is just my dog & !! If a dog is on a leash then it should not be necessary to restrict access
32	PO Box Dunsborough	It would be great to have a bigger stretch of beach to walk/run with your dog
33	Alanta Elbow, Dunsborough	Great to see good arwas out the front of Dunsborough. Smith Beach area should be open more times ie, 8 is too early and needs to be 12-4 or similar. Consider pulling the dog area back from Highview back to Beach Rd away from the pontoon area.
34	Alanta Elbow, Dunsborough	Strongly agree, this is great news for residents and their dogs.
35	Glenvale Cross, Dunsborough	Restriction zone hours 9-5, start date 1st Jan
36	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	One of the delightful things living close to the beach is being able to take our dogs to the beach when ever we go which can be anytime of the day, I call it freedom. I would prefer if the area with time restrictions be made for dogs on leads, we and lots of other locals enjoy going for long walks up and down the beach. People on holidays don't want or need time restrictions and who's going to remember - I assume signage will need to go up which is ugly and imposing and frankly we're all becoming tired of signage telling us what to do, not to mention what signage does to the look of our beautiful beaches. This area is predominantly visited by families in the holiday season most of these take their dogs with them, people consider their dogs as a family member. it is already hard enough to take dogs on family holidays to other parts Australia. We have been in this area for 24 years and have never had any problems with other people and their dogs on the beach or any of the many beaches we visit in the region. we've had a lot of problems with disgusting drunk, offensive and aggressive humans why don't you put restrictions on this sort of behaviour.
37	PO Box Yallingup	I reckon the whole beach area left and right of Dunn Bay Rd should be dog exercise area. As these are one of the only areas easily accessible for elderly and disabled people with dogs to use without having to go first by car. All national parks are no go areas for dogs so this beach should be a dog meeting and greeting area for us dog owners.
38	PO Box Yallingup	I think that the beach area by Dunsborough, just opposite Dunn Bay Rd should be a dog exercise area, or at least 1/2 of it. There shouldn't be a time restriction either for this.
39	Lorna St, Dunsborough	Mr Cousin has written in twice, both very similar objections to proposal
40	MacLaren Drive, Quedjinup	I object to dogs being allowed on the beach between Beach Road and Highview Road, Dunsborough. This beach is used by children for swimming lessons all throughout January school holidays.
41	Gibney Rd, Dunsborough	Dogs upset people enjoying a relaxed time reading or socialising with a group of friends. The area proposed at "D" is too large - propose that this exercise area be decreased to "from the end of Burt Court to end of Beach Rd". The area proposed at "E" is too small - propose that this prohibited area should increase (as it is a relaxing family beach area) to "from the end of Beach Rd to the carpark west of Green Street where the 1-way street goes off Bayview Cr along the beach front".

42	MaLaren Drive, Quedjinup	I have been a dog owner in Dunsborough for 13 years and the Dunsborough submission is absolutely ludicrous. Why would it even be suggested to open the beaches which have the most children and families over summer to dogs when perfectly appropriate beaches are located East of town already or at Rabbits in Yallingup. I can't take my dog to remote surf beaches on the West Coast but will be able to take it down to a packed beach with children and let it run free. If you as a Shire want an increase the chance of dog attack ten fold, have decomposing waste on the most used and safe paths and beaches then this would be a good way of going about it. I deal with the Shire a lot through my work and often support local legislation and what is being done and can see the reasons behind it but this has me stumped. I have never commented on these submissions in the past as they normally follow common sense but I can not for the life of me see the logic in this proposal. No matter how many doggie bags, bins and fines there are the beaches will reek of dog waste in summer. Please do not do this it is so wrong in so many ways.
43	Gibson Dr, Dunsborough	The beach at the end of Beach Rd in Dunsborough is not a suitable area for dogs exercising. As a mother of two small children, this is the beach that we visit frequently and is perfect for toddlers. It would be chaotic and unsafe to have dogs running around this particular area. In fact, this beach is so loved by families with small children that it is known as Wiggle Bay! Please adjust the dog exercise area to NOT include the beach at the end of Beach Rd.
44	Koorabin Drive, Yallingup	Agree with proposal
45	Castleroy Tce, Dunsborough	If you visited the Dunsborough area that you propose to become a dog exercise area you would realise that it is totally utilised by families with small children. Therefore, totally unsuitable as a dog area. Having lived in the region for 15 years, my knowledge would suggest further up in Quindalup (the beach in front of where Geographe Bay becomes a dead end, near where the horse track begins). This beach has more seaweed than other areas and therefore less people utilise it but it would still be good for walking your dog.
46	Highview Rd, Dunsborough	I agree with proposed dog exercise areas in Old Dunsborough, but would like to see exercise areas opened up to day use at the Eastern end of Eagle Bay up to Point Piquet.
47	Hansen St, Dunsborough	I think that the area allocated for a dog exercise beach in Dunsborough is too big. It encompasses the beaches that are perfect for small children and new swimmers (i.e. kids) from Beach Road to the boat ramp. As a parent, it is horrible to watch strange dogs bound up to your small(er) children. This happens frequently because many people seem to think it is ok to have their dogs off-lead or unattended near the beach. This problem would only be encouraged by designating popular these popular swim spots as "dog exercise" areas.
48	PO Box , Dunsborough	I particularly object to the restricted zones at Smiths & Meelup Beaches. My children are of an age they like the bigger waves - Smith's is the only relatively safe beach that we can go to as a family (including the dog who is part of our family) and enjoy a day out over summer. Being allowed on these beaches before 8 and after 6 is not sufficient - there are plenty of beaches within the National parks and Dunsborough where people can go if they don't like dogs.
49	Green Park Rd, Quindalup	I have young children, and this stretch of beach is perfect for them. Dogs are already allowed in this area, on a lead and seems to work for everyone.
50	PO Box , Dunsborough	The new proposed DOG EXERCISE AREA appears to be the whole beach front from Gifford Road/Dunn Bay Road around to Highview Road (section D on map) with the small section from Highview Road to the Boat Ramp (Finlayson Street) being PROHIBITED (section E on map). As the most popular section of Dunsborough's beach during the summer is the section from BEACH ROAD to HIGHVIEW ROAD, I would like to see this area not be included in the DOG EXERCISE AREA but made either RESTRICTED or PROHIBITED (joining up with section E).
51	Willespie Crt, Dunsborough	Why have a dog exercise area where children have swimming lessons every summer? This proposed area in Dunsborough are known family areas with safe swimming for toddlers. There are more appropriate dog areas, end of Dunn Bay Rd & heading towards Quindalup & north of the boat ramp are 2.
52	Warnham Rd, Cottesloe	I have been visiting Quindalup for 25 years and frequent the beach every time I visit. My family have enjoyed the pristine beach at Quindalup for almost 30 years, however, as of recent times, there has been a marked deterioration in our experiences. I refer to the countless dog faeces on the beach, the amount of dogs off leads who jump on our children with very little attempt by owners to control their animals. I also fear the potential for attack as there are so many cases reported almost weekly of dogs biting people. I feel your proposal is a start, however a duty of care to beach goers is required. I believe all dogs must be banned from beaches that are frequented by tourists, locals and people... Humans! I feel dog exercise areas must be reduced and in areas of low impact. And I feel if you do designate areas for dog access, they must be on a lead at all times and owners must carry poop bags and the area must be away from populated areas... The horse exercise area at the end of Geographe Bay road for example.. I am sickened by the amount of faeces that face me every time I go to the beach. Please consider having no dog access to beaches in Dunsborough, especially near town and in front of the Youth Hostel in Quindalup. We shouldn't expect international visitors to defend themselves against jumping dogs, nor dog faeces nor irresponsible dog owners.
53	Sonia St Scarborough	I have been a regular visitor to Quindalup for the last 20 or so years. In recent times myself and my family have witnessed several acts of dog aggression and situations where owners fail to clean up after their dogs. The beach in this area is beautiful and I would strongly object to allowing dogs to exercise here. There are plenty of other places where this can be done safely and environmentally.

54	Email address provided Perth WA	I am a regular visitor to the proposed exercise area in Dunsborough and, after seeing the state some dog beaches in Perth are left in, would prefer not to have to dodge "remnants" of previous canine visitors on my daily walks along the beach.
55	Email address provided	Dunsborough section D - as a mother of a small child and part of a mothers group we frequently visit this area as it is the perfect beach for young children to swim and get wet without having the worries of them drowning! it would be a HUGE disappointment for this to go thru, you would be taking away the downsouth lifestyle for all families with small children, as it would be to dangerous to have all types and size dogs running around amongst the little ones. Its a BIG NO from our family.
56	Po Box Dunsborough	The beach at the end of Beach Rd in Dunsorough (map 4) is not a suitable area for dogs exercising. As a mother of three small children, this is the beach that we visit frequently and is perfect for toddlers. It would be chaotic and unsafe to have dogs running around this particular area. In fact, this beach is so loved by families with small children that it is known as Wiggle Bay!! am also a dog owner of a golden retriever who LOVES the beach but I believe rezoning it as a dog beach will ruin this perfect family beach. Please reconsider the dog exercise area to NOT include the beach at the end of Beach rd.
57	Tarn View, Dunsborough	Object to proposal
58	Chieftain Cres, Dunsborough	Referencing MAP 4 for the Dunsborough area, proposed restricted dog exercise are B (McDermott Street boat ramp south west to Chester Way. BEACH AREA ONLY). Firstly, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposal. I believe that the duration and times proposed for this area of beach is excessive. Being a local resident and walking our dog between Chester and Elmore, along the beach daily for the past 12 months, there are only two times in the year when there is an influx of people, that is the week between Christmas/New Year and over Easter. I also believe that the hours are excessive, we work from home and most days during summer we take our dog to the beach at lunch time and mid afternoon to cool down. I believe that this B area should be changed to a "New Dog Exercise Area" with restrictions placed on the section of beach that is accessed by holiday makers (over the Christmas/New Year week, and the Easter Long Weekend), these areas are at the Banks Street beach access path, and the Elmore beach assess path, to a maximum of 100m north and south of these paths.
59	Burniston St, Scarborough	This submission specifically refers to the Dunsborough map, area two. I am a frequent visitor to Dunsborough, often travelling with my wife and two young daughters. Unfortunately there are too many occasions that I have felt an unacceptable risk to my family from dogs that are unleashed and running with little supervision or control from the owners. Often dogs will be running together and aggressively play fighting one another before running at very high speed at my family and others. Invariably the owner will say "don't worry, my dog doesn't bite", but unfortunately I am aware of too many instances where a dog has bitten a child resulting in stiches, plastic surgery or worse. In just the last year, two of our friends' children have been bitten by dogs that fit this description - a friendly family dog that had never bitten before. As further proof of the risk, one of my friends had a significant part of one ear bitten off as a child by another of these "friendly dogs". Unfortunately there are too many dog owners who do not take their responsibility seriously. Dogs and children are a potentially dangerous mix and the council has a responsibility to minimise this risk, especially when there are dog owners who don't recognise their responsibility to do this. Regardless of the risk dogs pose, I further believe that young families should be able to enjoy the beach without having to dodge the faeces left behind by the dogs. The time restrictions for dog exercise in the summer months are also flawed, as the early and late hours of the day are often the most appropriate time to be on the beach with children due to the need to be sun smart. It is my request that this area stays dog free at all times, all year round.
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61	Robbies Close, Quindalup	I am very concerned that the beach in Quindalup that I know very well will be shut off to dogs for the proposed period. There are many responsible locals who use this stretch of beach because it is least populated, even during the busy summer months. Please look at Old Dunsborough thru to Dunn Bay Road for this proposal as this is a much busier area especially during the tourist season.
62	Hakea Way, Dunsborough	I object to any dogs been allowed to use the beaches in Old Dunsborough, Beach Road and the Boat Ramp. There are always dogs down there even now with dog owners not picking up their dog's poos. This is a family area with alot of young families using the beaches. Please keep these as peaceful areas without dogs yapping and scaring children when they are NOT ON A LEASH. There is a path, of which I nearly got knocked off my feet with a dog owner who never puts their dog on a leash. I am strongly opposed to dogs being able to use this beautiful part of our cloastline. It is just too much of a busy area.

63	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I propose that the dog restricted times should be amended to: Dogs on leash at all times and restricted times from 9am to 3pm during summer school holidays and easter. (for list of reasons please see ECM doc)
64	Deason Way, Dunsborough	The dog exercise area D is an area used a great deal by families with young children as it is very shallow and safe, I object to having a dog exercise area here as they would scare/annoy alot of the kids, as well as roam through picnic/beach set ups etc. There is not usually a great deal of beach area in this area anyways and dogs would add to the congestion. There are other area that are not utilized nearly as much by people/families etc that would be more beneficial as a dog exercise area.
65	Flamborough St, Doubleview	I often go to the beach at Quindalup, and am nervous when I see dogs running around off their leads near children. The animals are often bred-for-attack dogs - pitbull terriers, dobermans etc. I don't have a problem with owners walking their dogs on leads near families, but find the lack of restraint some owners display in populated areas unnerving, particularly where small children are playing. I would also like to draw attention to the disrespect shown by dog owners with regards to collecting faeces, and letting their dogs lift their legs on towels, bags etc. I believe the beach at Quindalup should remain a family-friendly area.
66	Walham Grove, Fulham SW61QR United Kingdom	I was in Dunsborough 2 weeks ago and went for a walk from Quindalup to the boat ramp towards Busselton. To my asstonishment a dog ran straight past me at speed un-supervised! I turned to see it was charging toward another dog that was now loose on the sand and narrowly missed bowling over a toddler as it neared the other animal. What a circus. The onwer was a walker who was a dot on the horizon when the dog charged past! How can this owner seriously argue this is acceptable? With greater population comes these pressures and for the continued enjoyment of the beach we need to ban dogs at all times to ensure the council doesn't find itself having been too lax on implementing obviously important controls. Appreciate your consideration.
67	Lagoona Pl, Quindalup	I totally disagree with this residential area being unrestricted exercise area for dogs. Between the hours of 9am and 5pm wouldn't it be better if dogs were permitted but restrained and on leads. A lot of people with young children use this area of the beach. It would be terrible if some unfortunate accident occurred and the Shire being responsible would finish up before the courts. Not all owners are responsible.
68	Caves Rd	Might be better not to make end of Dunn Bay Rd a red zone
69	Peppermint Drive, Dunsborough	Best idea ever, long time coming. Rules exist similar around NZ
70	Elsegood Ave, Yallingup	I see no proposal for Yallingup Beach. I feel very strongly that the lagoon area of this beach - from the main stairs to Dawson Drive beach access- should become a restricted area between 1st December and 30th April. This is an extremely popular area for young families. Dogs should not be allowed in this area, where they intimidate and frighten little children and adults alike, and defecate and urinate amongst people and their belongings. There may also be beach goers who do not want to swim with dogs! There is another problem connected to Yallingup (and other) beaches. Surfers often take their dogs to the beach and leave them to their own devices while they are out surfing. These dogs run free, defiling the beach. Their excrement is never cleaned up, and they can sometimes behave in a threatening manner towards other beach users. What are the rules in this situation? I have another question which I hope you can answer. Who has jurisdiction over dog control on the beaches? I have heard differing answers and would like to find out once and for all which authority is responsible. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this issue.
71	North St, Mount Lawley WA 6050	My wife and I are property owners in Eagle Bay and we support the proposed changes. We have been concerned for some time with the number of dogs on Eagle Bay Beach, in areas that are currently prohibited. Some dog owners are ignoring existing restrictions to the detriment of others. Eagle Bay Beach is world renowned and residents and visitors should not have to contend with dogs and their mess, in prohibited areas. Part of the problem is a lack of adequate and clear existing signage which is not being seen or is being ignored by dog owners. Regardless of the outcome of the proposed dog exercise area restrictions, the City of Busselton should immediately improve existing signage. This will help to improve the amenity for all beach users. In particular, signage on the walkway opposite the old Eagle Bay store and the main gravel carpark on Eagle Bay-Meelup Road, needs to be improved significantly as a priority.
72	Po Box Yallingup	Dunsborough Playing Fields. People already use this as an exercise area and they do not clean up after their dogs. Locals do what they like around here anyway. Yallingup beach and playground dogs off leash all the time. Walking and cycle path from town to old dunsborough boat ramp dogs off leash all the time.
73	St Michael's Parkway, Dunsborough	I wish to object to the restrictions and banning of dogs on selected beaches around Dunsborough between 8am and 6pm
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77	Gaia Close, Eagle Bay	I refer only to Eagle Bay in this objection as this is the only dog exercise area I am familiar with. The current situation at Eagle Bay seems to work very well so why change it. The beach at Eagle bay is very family friendly, especially to families with young children, hence the arrangement where there is a permanant, all hours dog beach, allows families to have a day at the beach with their pets when on holidays and allow people to take dogs for exercise at anytime during the day. The current arrangement where the good beach area is set aside as dog free and the not so good swimming area is a dogs permitted area seems to be good arrangement so why change it.
78	Email address provided	I have had several calls about dogs being too free at Elmore beach and lake – dogs chase the birds . Elmore is an annual breeding spot for Red Capped plovers (beach dune area) and Black winged Stilts (mud flats/reeds). This has been registered with Birdlife Australia and is surveyed every year – its on their record. Swans are killed every year too. Eagle Bay is a registered Hooded Plover site – surveyed annually. current findings is at the beach /dune north of the boat launch car park - THIS IS THE GAZETTED DOG BEACH WE WANT THAT CHANGED!! It needs signage re HP presence too. There is one sign at the main EB beach. Both these sites are the most sensitive to dog menace to birds. The beach use is OK but not free reign and open for dog free exercise area.
79	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	The lagoon in front of our house at 184 Geographe Bay Road, Quindalup is a haven for birdlife with over 20 different species visiting and many making it their base for feeding and nesting. The serenity of the area entices many people to stop and observe the birds in their natural habitat from the shady area at the end of Elmore Road. Signs endorsed by Coastcare, Department of Environment and Conservation, Australian Government, Birds Australia and the South West Catchment Council recognize the lagoon as a unique bird breeding area. These signs have been placed around the perimeter of the lagoon and ask the public not to enter within the boundary. They also state that dogs often disturb nesting birds and can eat the eggs and flightless young. Dog owners are asked to restrain their animals. Contrary to existing bylaws very few owners keep their dogs on a leash and most let them roam at large. We have witnessed unrestrained dogs bounding through the shallows of the lagoon scattering birds and their young in all directions. On occasions dead birds, including swans, have littered the lagoon banks. We have also witnessed a large aggressive dog bailing up a couple of Japanese backpackers staying at the Youth Hostel. Councils current review of its dog exercise, restricted and prohibited beach areas is an excellent opportunity to get it right. Would Council please consider changing the area between Tulloh Street and Wilson Avenue from restricted to prohibited which will guarantee protection to the lagoons birdlife and tourists staying at the Youth Hostel.
80	Peppermint Drive, Dunsborough	I live in Peppermint Drive except for the two / three weeks around Christmas and Easter break the beach where I am is very very quiet. Usually I am almost alone when I walk my dog. Often I see no one as I work shifts and have to go to the beach at odd times, sometimes mid day, mid afternoon etc. I have a very elderly Basset Hound who could not walk as far as the Dog Beach and is too long for me to lift into a car. His big treat of the day is to get on the beach and then to wade into the water. We will be devastated if he cannot do this.
81	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I propose that the dog restricted times should be amended to: Dogs on leash at all times and restricted times from 9am to 3pm during summer school holidays and easter. (for list of reasons please see ECM doc)
82	Lagoona Place Quindalup	This area has traditionally been an area where holiday makers visit with young families. Bayshore and Whitesands as well as rental properties rent to families, because they can safely allow children to learn about beach and safety and increase their freedom. Some children fear dogs, other are overconfident when animals may not like children. The safety of the area will be compromised. 2. If there is a dog attack it is the council who has allowed a change in the regulations which will face legal proceedings. 3. The new extended the trailering and parking area adjacent to the sea rescue boat ramp will not be well served if dogs are roaming freely. 4. Currently some local residents allow their dogs off the lead and they lift their leg on the property of other local residents, take over towels and shade, which most sort out amicably between friends. This is not so easy if there is an increase in dog numbers in the area. 5. Some dog owners are reluctant to acknowledge the problems their animals can cause. The beach area is adjacent to the cycle path where the unpredictable movements of dogs on leads mean there is danger to older residents. Cycling is an appropriate exercise especially as too much walking can exacerbate their arthritis. Falls are likely to lead to fractures for people especially those who are osteoporotic. Currently most dog owners are considerate and recognise the dual use nature of this path, use a lead and keep their dog close. 6. In an ideal world, all dog owners would clean up after their dogs. Even with regulation as they are this is not the case. Babies and toddlers in particular should have a clean beach. 7. The rights of non dog lovers to enjoy a clean peaceful area should be respected as much as the rights of the dog owners to allow their animals to roam uninvited into the personal space of others. 8. There is more than sufficient space for dogs not to be on leads on the Busselton side of the sea rescue jetty. It is infrequently used as it stands and therefore seems illogical that more beach space is given over to unrestricted dogs.
83	Geographe Bay Rd, Dunsborough	Personally I'm largely unaffected no matter what is decided, but PROHIBITED AREA should be extended south to Beach St from old Dunsborough Boatramp rather than only to Highview Rd . Definitely . Highview Rd is around middle of this popular area, which leads to uncertainty and misunderstandings and makes it impossible to police .RESTRICTED AREA It is extremely difficult to reconcile the unrestricted zone around Green Park to Gifford Rd , which is very shallow and protected and attracts toddlers throughout the day every day, with the restricted area south of Chester Way which is deeper, much more difficult to get to, and far less popular. If this obvious discrepancy is approved you will be asked to publicly explain your reasoning

84	Brookland Loop, Dunsborough	time of restriction is too late especially once summer is over and days are shorter. Taking it through to April is too long, school holiday time would be sufficient. If there are no people using the beach it shouldn't matter if dogs go there. Penalise pet owners that cannot control their dog on or off their lead and cleaning up after them.
85	Tron Loop, Dunsborough	I propose that the dog restricted times should be amended to: Dogs on leash at all times and restricted times from 9am to 3pm during summer school holidays and easter. (for list of reasons please see ECM doc)
86	Residents of Eagle Bay Association	The dog beach area that is north of Jingarmup Creek is very rocky and tidal and shallow water hence not popular for swimming. The area south of the creek is very popular and heavily utilised throughout summer. We are not aware of any complaints or dissatisfaction with the current dog beach arrangement so see no reason for the proposed changes.
87	Robbies Close, Quindalup	Lives in Robbies Close for 20 years, family are avid beach users. Witnessed numerous dog fights, dogs jumping at little children and frightening them. Dogs defecate and urinate next to or on top of beach towels and food. Dogs are running loose with owners having no control. The best they can offer you is i'm sorry or he/she doesn't bite, this is simply not good enough. The area between Stroud Street and McDermott Street including the Quindalup Boat ramp and the ski area is the most populated and well used area in Quindalup. of all the areas that should be a dog restricted area this should be it. you could say when these dogs are running loose i should call the ranger. I used to in years gone by, but by the time the ranger arrives the offending dog/owner has moved on. I very rarely see Rangers patrolling this populated area. If this proposed dog exercise area is passed by this council and any member of my family is bitten or injured by a dog I will not pursue the owner of the dog, but i will take to task the City of Busselton for this neglectful action.
88	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	Regular user of the beach for playing with grandchildren and friends, swimming and fishing. My family is not dog owner and have to regularly put up with dogs defecating near and running through our group which included children. Because the dogs are not on leads (as they should be) we often have to clean up the mess as the dog owners are nowhere near their dogs. we also have to calm young children who are frightened by the dogs. it is my view that the proposal clearly puts dogs ahead of people, effectively making the whole area from the Professional Boat Ramp to Old Dunsborough a dog beach, outside the restricted times (8am - 6pm) and dates (Dec to May). as regular users of the beach, this is a wrong priority from my and my families perspective. as a minimum the times should be extended to 6am - 8pm as the beach is often used in the early morning and until dusk. I also consider that all dogs should be on leads outside the restricted times, especially in the area where the houses and Youth Hostel front the beach and around the bird sanctuary lagoon. We are not against dogs but don't wish to see them unrestricted (ie not on leads) in areas where adults and children congregate. i would add that the current arrangements do not work well, with many dogs not being on leads. if any policy is to be implemented it will have to be policed better than in the past if it is to be effective.
89	Hakea Way, Dunsborough	I believe that these restrictions are completely unnecessary and think they would deduct from most Dunsborough residents quality of life. if they are to be imposed i believe it should not start till 9am as very few tourists will reach the beach before then. Also the area in front of Dunn Bay Road that is to be completely restricted to dog users should be only seasonal aswell. As a lot of dog users will walk up though that way to access cafe's in town, also to have a small area where dogs are not allowed between 2 dog exercise areas seem ludicrous. I believe residents have to make enough compromises for tourists during the summer months, i hope you do not find it necessary to take away their enjoyment of the natural environment.
90	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	Section B - Safety of children is the first priority. Restricted area, dogs must be on leads outside of restricted times. Owners must clean up and be in possession of poo bag as evidence of intent to pick up. Signage must be present at all access ways and crossover points on the beach and Ranger numbers and their presence must be increased substantially. THE SAFETY AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN, VISITORS AND OTHERS ON OUR BEACHES AND IN PUBLIC PLACES MUST BE THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY. Mr Reed wrote in again on 17 December 2012.
91	Stone St, Quindalup	Proposals appear reasonable and equitable for both owners and non-owners of dogs, whilst taking into account that the area does have to cater to the influx of tourists during the summer months. Clear signage of these areas would be required.
92	Vincent St, Dunsborough	Area from Gifford Rd to Highview Rd should be DOG PROHIBITED. As the bay is very shallow it is an absolute mecca for birdlife. This is heightened when the tide is out and the sandbars are extensive. The introduction to dogs off the lead would be devastating for the birdlife. Once again as the bay is shallow families enjoy the safety of the bay. As the majority of these families have very young children it would be a safety hazard having excited dogs mixing with these families. As much as dog owners are asked to pick up after their dogs still so many of them don't thus making our pristine beaches dirty and unsightly. A walk along the foreshore path soon proves that. Do we really want excited dogs running up and down the beach where a high proportion of Dunsborough's tourists walk and play? The current Quindalup exercise area is a fabulous stretch of beach for the dogs to exert their energy but is greatly underused. Maybe a promotion of this area could be more beneficial for Dunsborough?

93	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I think the current exercise area in Quindalup is adequate. Our small dog was attacked and subsequently died a few years ago as a larger dog was off its lead. I also have small grandchildren as many of my neighbours do and feel if the new dog area was implemented it would be unsafe for many families to enjoy the beach in a relaxing manner for fear of dogs being uncontrolled Dog exercise areas should not be in residential areas as safety for humans should come first. Extending the area will cause more conflict with people who do not control their dogs as this area is very popular with families
94	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I am totally opposed to any extension to the dog exercise area to the West of the end of Geographe Bay Road, Quindalup. I have already experienced conflict issues of uncontrolled dogs harrassing my family and especially my small grandchildren whenever we are at the beach. The current area is adequate as there is no residential housing opposite. I am concerned that the Council seems more intent in appeasing dog owners than encouraging families to enjoy the beach.
95	Bloor St, Quindalup	I 100% object to this new proposal for Proposed Dog Exercise, Restricted & Prohibited Areas
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97	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I 100% object to this new proposal for Proposed Dog Exercise, Restricted & Prohibited Areas as we are sick of dogs urinating over our towels while we are swimming and cleaning up dog doos that the owners are not picking up!
98	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I object to this new proposal for Proposed Dog Exercise, Restricted & Prohibited Areas as there are currently alot of dogs off the lead already in our area and it is not a dog free exercise area already so if it was to be approved I would hate to see how many more dogs would be roaming freely. I want to be able to sit and enjoy the beach without dogs running up to you without having a go at you or flick sand.
99	Halcyon Way, Dunsborough	I am a dog owner and have walked all the beaches drawn on the area 4 map. I like most of your proposals but not all and so I have chosen to "object" however I agree that something has to be done. I'd like to make some suggestions (all comments are regarding the Dunsborough Map Area 4):- Offleash zones I walk every day with my Kelpie Cross and would welcome more offleash time with her. - the current offleash area in Dunsborough is totally inadequate as one can walk the distance in about five minutes which is not enough for anything other than the smallest dogs. I suggest that Area D be made yellow (restricted in Summer) instead of green. I also suggest that the area between Chester and Banks Way be left as yellow. These areas all have lots of houses with easy access to the beach and I see by far the greatest number of families making use of the beach in these areas. I suggest that from Banks Avenue (Area B) back towards Quindalup all be left as green. There is not the density of housing in close proximity to these parts of the beach and I see many fewer people along here. Summer Time Limits and season I disagree with the times and suggest that 9-5 may be a more reasonable time for the Summer Dog Ban. I also suggest that it could be December to end of February. The beaches are so much more deserted once the schools have gone back. Thank you for considering my suggestions. I am more than happy to talk to anyone about this matter.
100	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	The beach from elmore Rd to the Youth Hostel is heavily populated with native birds and any dogs in the area will frighten them. I feel the council will have great difficulty in policing the conditions.
101	Ashbrook Green, Dunsborough	Object to proposal
102	Peppermint Drive, Dunsborough	We would like to express our vehement opposition to the imposition of the proposed restricted "Dog Exercise Areas". We are responsible dog owners who wish to enjoy the benefits of living in a small Western Australian town and to find that we cannot legally walk our dog on our local beach during the day for five months of the year is an offensive proposition. We note that the Shire has said it is "only" between 1st December and the 30th April. To refer to nearly 42% of the year as "only" is a blatant exercise in misleading semantics. We would very much like to see the form and volume of the ratepayer pressure that must have been applied to the City that lead to these proposals being formulated. That is to say who objected to the current situation and how many objections were there. I look forward to the receipt of this information. We have noted in travelling around Australia and comparing the situation to other countries that this country seems to have a paranoia about dogs and a baffling love of regulating our relationships with "Man's Best Friend". Instead of further restricting our lives we should be looking at easing restrictions and encouraging people to responsibly walk their pets wherever and whenever possible. It is both a physical and psychologically healthy pursuit.
103	Mercator Way Eagle Bay	The dogs on the beach at Eagle Bay in the summer are a nightmare! There is never a Ranger there and dogs are running and barking all day in the summer and very upsetting for small children and even adults. Many people go to the beach after 6 to have a swim and even a picnic in the summer and dogs are running everywhere. I would like to see NO dogs in the swimming area.
104	Wedgetail View Eagle Bay	I object to the proposal to change the current regulations on Eagle Bay beach for the periods between Dec and April. I feel that during these times, the current regulations of having the area north of the creek as a dog exercise area at all times of the day works very well for both dog owners and non dog owners alike. This part of the beach is not the nicest part for swimming and I do not feel that non dog owners would choose this area to frequent anyway.

105	Barwon Lane Dunsborough	As responsible dog owners we are writing to contest the proposed restriction for dog friendly recreational areas. To use, these area are not singularly for dog exercising, but our own recreational use also. We also believe that both dog and dog owners alike can enjoy beach activities at the same time. The proposed restriction, however, make this enjoyment impossible. The beaches suitable for our own activities restrict dogs to before 6am and after 6pm which are times that we do not use the beach. Under the current regulations, we frequent the Eagle Bay dog exercise area, often spending the whole day at the beach with our two dogs. During this time we meet many other dog owners who are just as respectful and responsible as ourselves. The new restrictions however, will limit our use to before 6am and after 6pm, hours that do not suit beach lovers or their activities. our dogs love the beach and we love spending time with our dogs at the beach. We believe that the current regulations are perfect and that there is no need to fix what is not broken.
106	Grove Park Tce, Quindalup	We object to time restrictions (not between 8am and 6pm) for dogs to be exercised off leash on Eagle Bay and Smiths beaches. From a health point of view, for us and our dogs, we think the City should be encouraging healthy lifestyles and what better way than to walk the dog! Our past experience with Cottesloe Council has seen them revert to unrestricted times on allocated areas of Cottesloe Beach, saving ranger call outs, thus savings resources in money and time. We are responsible dog owners who love our dogs. We are happy to talk to Councillors if required.
107	Person Ave, Dunsborough	I propose that the dog restricted times should be amended to: Dogs on loash at all times and restricted times from 9am to 3pm during summer school holidays and easter. (for list of reasons please see ECM doc)
108	PO Box Yallingup	I consider the period of restriction at Smith's Beach to be excessive and unnecessary and request that it apply only to the summer School Holidays. Also, whilst an 8 am restriction is reasonable, I consider a cutoff at 3 pm would be an acceptable comromise & recognise that locals who wish to have their dogs accompany their families should be able to do so.
109	Gaia Close, Eagle Bay	:I am a resident of Eagle Bay and am very happy with current arrangement re dogs on the beach, I object to your proposal for both Eagle Bay and Smiths beach.
110	Cockatoo Drive, Nannup	Eagle Bay Area B1 - please do not make this area restricted - it is one of very very few areas where we can safely kayak, swim (I'm not a strong swimmer and this area has some protection from the deeper water and stronger currents) and snorkle and enjoy family activity and fun with our dog during the summer months. It has the advantage of being close enough to the car park to carry the kayak and equipment to the beach. There are rarely stingers here. There is already a very large tract of restricted beach in this bay with ample space for non-dog lovers to use. I stress there are very few areas we can go to on the whole peninsula now with our dog where it is safe to swim.
111	Toddy Pl, Dunsborough	I believe that the 'Dog Restricted' areas should be only for the dates of the Summer and April school holidays as these are the only times when the beaches are heavily used. During these periods these areas should be 'Dogs on lead only' from 0900-1700. This would be more than sufficient to ensure there were no adverse interactions between dogs and the increased volumes of humans during these busier times (which surely is the intention). The current proposed dates and times and restrictions will leave these beaches largely unused for the periods of Summer and autumn outside of school holidays, and in the earlier and later times of the day when families are not usually on the beach. The current proposed restrictions for this category will also unduly discourage dog owners from walking their pets. This will increase health risks for dog owners by discouraging physical activity and health and behavioural risks for dogs by decreasing their opportunities for free running, socialising and command controlled activity and training.
	PO Box , Dunsborough	I believe the 'Dogs prohibitted' areas should be 'Dogs on lead at all times' areas. These bylaws are surely intended to prevent adverse interactions between dogs and humans. If dogs are on the lead they are under direct physical control of their owners. There is no need to completely ban dogs from any areas other than food prepartionn areas and indoor shopping centres. Dogs are not banned from walking on lead in busy commercial areas where the density of humans is far greater than ever found on the beaches of Busselton, so it does not make sense to ban them completely from any potentially busy beach area. 'Dogs on lead' is sufficient restriction.
	PO Box , Dunsborough	I will comment on the allocation of areas for the Dunsborough part of the proposal only as this is most relevant to my place of residence. I believe the dog restricted areas that extend from Chester Way to Gifford Road and around the Old Dunsborough boat ramp should not be 'dog prohibited' but should be 'dog restricted' as per my recommendations above. These sections of beach are rarely used outside of summer and easter holiday periods, so preventing dog walkers from using them also will create abandoned sections of beach for much of the year and discourage dog owners from exercising themselves and their pets with the health and behavioural consequences mentioned in the paragraph above. Also, banning dogs from the beach area adjacent to the old boat ramp and at the end of Dunn Bay Road will likely cause more adverse interactions than allowing dogs on those sections of beach. Currently I walk that route daily with my dog. If I am banned from walking my dog on these sections of the beach I will be forced to take him up onto the abutting grassed areas where there are far more families picnicing an playing in the children's playgrounds and cyclists, walkers and skateboarders using the dual use path. I have intentionally taught my dog to stay on the beach sand in these sections to lessen the interactions with children who may be unfamiliar with dog behaviour, bikes and skateboards. The beach is nearly always the less congested route through these areas.I think planners need to clearly consider the intention of the laws and ensure they are not in fact increasing the potential for human/dog conflict.

	PO Box , Dunsborough	<p>I think the restrictions at Eagle Bay are outrageous - leaving no reasonable dog exercise areas in this area. The beach north of the boat ramp has always been a dog exercise area and is rarely used by non dog owners. There is no balance with this section of the plan whatever. I think the restrictions at Smiths beach are reasonable provided the cahnges to 'Dog Restricted' that I have suggested above are implemented.I think the McDermott St to Chester Way section being Dog retricted is totally unnecessary. Again this is a section of beach that is sparcely used due to inadegaute parking and access through the dune break. A small section of dog restricted around the car park area at Banksia Ave where families with small children gather to utilise the playground equipment would suffice.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment. In sunmmary I think planners need to drill down to the purpose of the proposed bylaws (prevent adverse interaction between dogs and humans), consider the proportion of dog owning families (about 25- 30% of families)together with the proportion of dog tolerant humans. We seem to be setting aside large sections of beach for the vocal small percentage of the population who will not tolerate dogs at all - even on the lead. We do not do this in our residential areas or commercial areas - why are we doing it on our beaches? Planners also need to consider that it is usually responsible dog owners who take their dogs to the beach. This activity should be facilitated and encouraged as frequent free running, play under voice control and supervised socialising creates safe, happy socialised dogs who are well behaved, less likely to roam and don't bark when left at home, together with healthy owners who are doing their bit to counter the epidemic of chronic disease by keeping themselves physically and mentally fit. Please do everything you can to encourage this as it is of benefit to all of society.</p>
112	PO Box , Dunsborough	I don't agree with any restricted time! I'd like to walk my dog when I like.
113	Dunsborough Lakes Drive, Dunsborough	:I understand that there needs to be dog beaches and non dog beaches, however as the mother of a small child the law from 8am to 6pm would totally eliminate me from exercising my dog with my child in areas that I visit regularly. I think that perhaps over the summer Christmas & January School Holidays there could be restricted times only but not for as long as 8 til 6, as a mother of a small toddler I cannot get out before 8am generally and after 6pm is totally out of the question. There are a lot more people around during Xmas & School Holidays, but during the rest of the months I think any time restrictions are unnecessary, half the time when I visit those beaches there's only families with dogs on them and most other people don't mind that you have your dogs with you as long as you clean up after them and they are behaving themselves. Most dog owners in the area are responsible people. Thank you.
114	Mosswood Ct, Dunsborough	The restrictions aren't so bad for Dunsborough and I understand the need for dog restricted beaches but can imagine how difficult it will become having a dog in other areas looking at the maps. We live in an area with a lot of national park so we can't take our dogs to the forest, most campsites or the walking trails around the area either. The few places we can take them is baited. The beach is pretty much our only choice if we want to raise well behaved dogs that get the exercise they need and are used to socializing with other people and dogs. Walking a dog on the lead around town isn't enough for them. Put up the fine for not picking up after your dog in stead and maybe a dog-forest. Thank you!
115	Bettridge Rd, London	In relation to the dog debate raging - I felt compelled to write this email. I have visited Dunsborough with my family (and 2 small children) for many years and thoroughly enjoyed our time with friends, spending most time on the beach in what you zone as Area 4 Section B. We commute between the UK and Perth now and am constantly surprised that when we do visit the pristine beach, we witness more and more dog fouling and have to be vigilant with the children to avoid the racing dogs. This review is excellent and shows the Council is reflecting the common good of the community, however, dogs should either be banned from the beach at all times, or should be on a lead at all times. In the UK, you cannot walk a dog off a lead in areas used by the public - it is dangerous. As for fouling - the UK is now considering DNA'ing all dogs at registration (all dogs need to be registered by law) so that fouling can be traced to an animal. It would be so unfortunate if after the review, dogs were still allowed to race along these areas and a child is hurt - day or night. It will end dog use of the area for ever and the council will be held responsible no doubt. I do hope you understand these concerns.
116	Peron Ave, Dunsborough	I propose that the dog restricted times should be amended to: Dogs on leash at all times and restricted times from 9am to 3pm during summer school holidays and easter. (for list of reasons please see ECM doc)
117	Caves Rd, Anniebrook	Mostly, the public obey the rules of keeping dogs on leashes etc. No amount of 'rules' will stop rogue dogs mauling others or owners keeping them on leashes.
118	Highview Road Dunsborough	I wish to make the following comments and proposal regarding the above. That the proposed area be extended to Beach Road so that the prohibited area wold be E) (Reserve 29627) Highview Road to Old Dunsborough Boat Ramp (Near Finlayson Street). I attach a map indication the area involved. My reasons for proposing this extension is that the area of beach from Highview Road to the point at the end of the extension of Beach Road past the North Street/Vincent Street intersection is the main swimming beach for the area. It is in fact the swimming area that the City in previous years has installed stinger nets and regularly installs a pontoon float for swimmers. The area has also been signed of bouys (although wording on bouys has washed off) banning boats. The vacation swimming classes have also been held in this part of the beach. From my observations this part of the beach is the most popular part of the beach for swimmers and attracts many people including families and children especially during the summer months. In fact on hot days on the weekends it becomes relatively crowded.

	PO Box Dunsborough	I propose that this is not conducive for this part of the beach being used as a dog exercise area beach on the grounds of the dangers of allowing dogs in amongst families and children on a popular swimming beach. These dangers include children being bitten by uncontrolled dogs, of dogs fighting amongst families and children and the risk of infection to adults and children from dog excreta which will inevitably be left on the beach. I acknowledge that owners are supposed to remove this but a visit to any dog beach in this state will show that this does not always occur and would not happen unless a Ranger was stationed at the beach full time to police it. An additional danger of letting dogs cohabit a swimming beach is the increased risk of shark attack. Although this has not been conclusively proven I understand there is statistically significant increased risk of furry animals being involved in shark attacks (ABC Catalyst Science Program). In a view of all these reasons I consider that to include this small portion of beach (in relation to all the other areas that dogs will be allowed) as a Dog Prohibited Area is justified. I recommend that the City amend the plan accordingly.
119	Dunsborough Lakes Drv, Duns	Concerns that the proposed areas include the Dunsborough Playing Fields and will impeded my families safe usage of the amenities. To allow dogs to exercise at the playing fields will stop children from partaking in outdoor sports activities. Dogs running off leads will create a dangerous situation where children practising their sport may be attacked by dogs as dogs are attracted by children playing with balls and get overly excited. There is already a problem with dogs off leads which is not controlled by the ranger services. in addition dog excreta covering the grassed area is already a problem and will increase if the ovals are an exercise area for dogs. This fouling poses a health risk to children. to allow the playing fields to become a dog exercise area would be a failure by the City in it's duty of care to provide a safe play area for children. There is lots of dog owners allowing dogs to run free off leads and to foul public areas with faeces. why should the non dog owning members of public consistently have their enjoyment of public areas destroyed by dogs? Along with threat to children and dog faeces there is the issue of noise pollution from barking dogs.
120	Hammond Road Yallingup	It is noted that there does not appear to include any consideration of dog exercise areas at Yallingup. This is surprising in view of the issues which have arisen from that community in relation to dog exercise areas and the communications between DEC and the City on the subject over several years. The area currently used for dog exercising at Yallingup, and managed by way of signage by the City is national park. there is no objection from DEC to this as there is an understanding between DEC and the City in respect of this longstanding situation. The current review by the City is an opportunity to formalise the arrangement either by way of land tenure changes or compatible legislation under the <i>Conservation and Land Management Regulations</i> . It would be a lost opportunity if dog exercise areas at Yallingup were not considered in the current process of review and the seeking of public comments. DEC staff would be happy to meet to discuss this matter further.
121	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I am placing this submission with regard to the above proposal and with general concern to the health and safety of beach users and the possible effect the changes may have on the fauna of the Elmore Rd lagoon. As the proprietor of the Dunsborough Beachouse YHA International Youth Hostel and the parent of small children it is of great concern that the proposed area will jeopardize the safety and enjoyment of our pristine beaches. In my experience in using the beach at Quindalup, dog owners currently utilising the beach between Elmore Rd and the professional boat ramp have little insight into how their dogs impact on other beach users. (THIS AREA IS NOT CURRENTLY A DESIGNATED DOG EXERCISE AREA, ALTHOUGH IS FREQUENTED BY DOG OWNERS AND THEIR PETS ON A DAILY BASIS WITHOUT ANY REGARD TO CURRENT RESTRICTIONS) The proposed usage times (prior to 8 am & after 6pm) for dog owners along this stretch are unsatisfactory. These being times of the day when many people (especially those with small children) can utilize the beach safely without risking potential harm that being exposed to the sun during the middle of the day can cause. I have experienced many occasions where even the friendliest of dog breeds have jumped on children, hostel guests and other beachgoers causing scratches and tears to skin requiring medical assistance, there are also cases where children have been traumatised by dogs both large and small rushing at them . Even if it is in a friendly manner, the sight of a large animal significantly larger and heavier than the child has the potential to be incredibly intimidating for a small child not familiar with dogs. Dogs' faeces are often not picked up as required by law; this presents obvious health issues along with being aesthetically unpleasant and not the kind of message we want valuable international visitors to be exposed to.
	Elmore Road Dunsborough	The lagoon at the end of Elmore Rd is a valuable nesting area for protected waterfowl. This area requires protection from dogs and pets at all times. In summary the reasons for not implementing the changes outlined in the proposal are many and varied. Whilst I acknowledge that dog owners require areas to exercise their pets I believe these areas should be located in areas where there is very minimal population/ low beach usage and minimal environmental impact. They should certainly not be located in areas that showcase our pristine environment on the international stage, have impacts on endangered native fauna or adversely affect the enjoyment of those with young families.

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123	Honeycomb Lane Yallingup	<p>The extension of the dog exercise area westward from the Naturaliste Sea rescue ramp to the Mc Dermott St ramp is a great idea as the Quindalup moorings area has always been popular for families to visit the beach with their dogs.</p>
124	Jenkins Place, Wembley Downs	<p>We support the proposal for Restricted Dog access during the day for the summer months. We object to the proposal for this section to be a Dog Exercise Area at all other times. We holiday in this area several times throughout the year, when we spend many hours at the Quindalup beach. We utilise the beach with our three young children at many times outside the proposed restricted times, both during the winter months, and also in the early morning and late evening. On many occasions our children have been intimidated by the over enthusiastic approach of dogs off a lead. Countless times this has ruined our enjoyment of the beach. One such time we had to race to pick up our toddler, as a large dog ran unrestrained at him. The owners made no attempt to prevent their dog from approaching our toddler. As with many other times, it was left to us as the parents to protect our children, as some dog walkers have no regard for families on the beach. We must also be vigilant to ensure that the young toddlers do not play with dog poo, which may be found all along this section of the beach.</p> <p>Although we support the proposed restricted times, we are extremely concerned with the proposal for this section to be a Dog Exercise Area at all other times. With the issues raised above, we may not even feel comfortable to go to the beach outside the restricted times. The reason we do not holiday in Bali, is that we like to feel safe with our family on a pristine, clean beach in Quindalup.</p>
125	Norfolk St Dunsborough	<p>I have been walking my dog in the Dunsborough area for 12 years now and have never had a negative situation. I find it ludicrous that consideration is even being given to excluding dogs for any period and seriously why should locals and their dogs be inconvenienced even further due to the tourist season. Dogs encourage all ages of people to adopt a healthier lifestyle and have also been shown to contribute positively to people's mental health states. Surely stingers, sharks and flies are more of an impediment to safety and tourism than dogs? I do agree that during Summer dogs should be walked on leash and that picking up after dogs is essential. As I do not perceive there is a problem with current dog laws I think this review is a waste of time and money and there are other issues far more pressing eg; parking, flies, stingers and sharks that the City of Busselton should be addressing.</p>

126	Yelverton Rd Yelverton	<p>I strongly object to restricting beach areas to dogs. The time frame from December 1 to April 30 is extremely excessive and the times available to exercise dogs at these beaches before 8 am and after 6 pm isn't family friendly. In the "Information on Dogs" issued by the City of Busselton to people registering their pets it states in the checklist for responsible owners, "My dog is exercised and takes part in family activities." The main activity for families over summer is spending time at the beach. By restricting times that dogs are able to be on beaches will mean they will get left home when the family enjoys a morning or afternoon at the beach especially over the school holidays or after school hours in first term when it is very hot. By restricting times to exercise dogs at beaches will mean there will be more congestion at times available. By restricting Smiths Beach and Eagle Bay will mean the locals have nowhere to go with their dogs when they go for their swim and the visitors who bring their dogs on holiday, doing the right thing and including their dog in family activities will be penalised. Not everyone is able due to work and other commitments to take their dog to the restricted beaches before 8 am or after 6pm. Today, December 21, I took my two dogs on lease to a Quindalup Beach near the playground at 11am. There were young families at the playground with the family dog. There were people walking on the path some with their dogs. At the beach there were two young families swimming. I was able to enjoy a swim with my dogs and allowed them off lease while in the water without disturbing the other families as there was plenty of room for us and more people. I regularly get stopped by visitors at beaches asking if they can pat my dogs. Not all visitors are anti dogs. If dogs are included in family activities they are better behaved and a pleasure for visitors to watch. Most people are responsible and do the right thing by making sure their dog is not a nuisance to others and by cleaning up after them. I would suggest instead of restricting dogs during peak periods that they should stay on lease when beaches are busy.</p>
127	Naturaliste Terrace Dunsborough	<p>As a Dunsborough resident and owner of a small dog, I object to the times that we are allowed to exercise our dogs in the Old Dunsborough and township areas. I feel we need to be more flexible and not pander to visitors to this area, while at the same time making them welcome.</p>

128	<p>374 submissions</p> <p>Foxhaven crt, Dunsborough Summerville cres, Yallingup Stanley St, Woolonngabba Koorabin Drive, Yallingup Brookland Loop, Dunsbororugh Swallow Cove Dunsborough Martingale Drive, Dunsborough Dunsborough Lakes Drive, Dunsborough ollis St, Quindalup Jarrah Knoll Place Marshall St, Quindalup St Michaels Parkway, Dunsborough Vintners Drive, Quindalup Chester Way, Dunsborough York St, Port Lincoln SA PO Box Dunsborough Beechwood Circle, Aveley Hartfield Cr, Leeming Grevillea Cove Windlemere Dr, Dunsborough Qinninup Rd, Injidup Geographe Bay Rd, Dunsborough PO Box , Yallingup Woodbridge Vale, Yallingup Siding Dunsborough Lakes Drive, Dunsborough Wardanup Cres, Yallingup</p>	<p>Propose that the dog restricted time should be amended to Dogs on leash at all times, and dog restricted times to be from 9am-3pm during summer school holidays and easter holidays only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is no consideration to vast number of people using the beach, as a family unit with their pets. - Vast majority of dog owners are responsible and abide by the rules. - Modern living, ie shift work, fly-in fly-out, means family's leisure time is flexible and often families want to visit the beach in the middle of the day with their pets. - The number of dogs on the beaches are very small. - Dog prohibited areas - These along with all the beaches in national parks that prohibit dog provide more than enough dog free beaches. - I reccommend signs listing a "dog owners code of practice' be erected at beach access points . - I reccommend that dog waste bins and bags be more accessable to beach goers by placing them at all beach access points.
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Bunker Bay
Mistover Place, Yallingup
Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup
Caves Rd, Yallingup
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Ollis St, Quindalup
Wisteria Drive
Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup
Windlemere Drive, Dunsborough
Amberley Loop, Dunsborough
Windlemere Dr, Dunsborough
Summerville Cres, Yallingup Siding
PO Box Yallingup
Harvester Prom, Vasse
Bridgewater Close, Quindalup
Dunsborough Lakes Drive, Dunsborough
Mentor Place, Dunsborough
Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup
Gleneagles Grove
Bunker Bay Rd, Naturalist
Bussell Hwy, Carbunup
Quinninup Rd, Yallingup
Ashbrook Frn, Dunsborough
Curlews St, Huntingdale
Dawson Drive, Yallingup
Peel Tce, Busselton
Eric St, Como

Eric St, Conno
Robert Bailey - QLD
Amberley Loop, DUNS
PO Canningvale
Seahorse Cres, Quindalup
Windlemere Drv, Duns
Brookland Loop, Duns
Brushwood Brook Drive, Yallingup
Grove Park Tce, Quindalup
Helena Tce, Sawyers Valley
Grove Park Tce, Quindalup
Caladenia Close, Eagle Bay
Hebrides Close, Quindalup
Karrinyup Rd, Trigg
Woodlands Way, Quindalup
PO Box , Dunsborough
Wildwood Rd, Yallingup
Endicott Loop, Dunsborough
Geographe Bay Rd, Dunsborough
Cowslip Cove, Yallingup
Yungarra Drive, Quedjinup
Peppermint Drive, Dunsborough
Whatman St, Quindalup
Summerbrace, Yallingup
Sheoak Drive, Yallingup
Schooner Cres, Dunsboorough
Smiths Beach Resort
Peron Ave, Dunsborough

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129		<p>I wish to give my opinion. It would be a disaster fo any coastal area where there are people enjoying the beach, for dogs to be given a priority. This is totally unaccptable. Dogs, if permitted on parts of the beach should always be on a lead where families or visitors are sitting, playing or swimming. Occupational health and saftey concerns should be your first priority. The fouling of the beach would detract from the pristine environment and attacks would, apart from the horros of injuries or death, would definitely attract adverse publicity in Australia and overseas. Unfortunately too many dog owners are not accepting their responsibilities regarding the above. In my own experience I have constant problems when on the beach with my grandchildren (18 months and above) in Area 4 section B, near the Youth Hostel in Quindalup. I must be always on the outlook for unrestrained dogs and pick up the little ones whilst dogs are present. I have one grandchild (7 years) who has been approached by so many dogs on the beach that she is not able to enjoy the beach as she should be entitled to. If dogs are to be permitted on this section of the beach before 8am and after 6pm they must be on a lead and the City must enforce the rules vigorously to ensure they are complied with. It is your responsibility to maintain a safe place for us to enjoy.</p>
130	Elijah Circle, Vasse	<p>Dogs are part of families, they should be well supervised but not restricted as proposed. There are plenty of beaches available for people that are non dog beaches.</p>

131	Eagle Bay Address: Tuart Hill Perth Wardanup Cres, Yallingup Elsegood Ave, Yallingup Geographe Bay Rd PO Box Dunsborough Yungarra Drive Marshall St, Quindalup Amberley Loop, Dunsborough Samphire Place St Michaels Pkway, Dunsborough Prestwick Rd, Dunsborough Caves Rd, Yallingup Yatana Rd, Albany Wentworth Loop, Dunsborough Dunsborough 1 x Email address	Our family is lucky enough to own a modest house in Eagle Bay which we use regularly. I am writing to you to express my concern over proposed changes to the rules allowing dog access to the beach. As you are aware the current rules set aside the majority of the beach as a dog free area which includes the section adjoining the car parks. The western end allows for dogs. The current system seems to work perfectly well and, according to long time owners and residents of Eagle Bay, has done so for years. For some inexplicable reason a proposal has been made to change all this and severely limit dog access to the whole beach. One of the great pleasures of going to Eagle Bay is being able to take your dog. My experience has been that owners are generally responsible and follow the rules regarding access and cleaning up. I have spent a great deal of time in Eagle Bay over the last few months and have paid particular attention to the issue. At no time have I seen any problems. If anything the presence of dogs increases the enjoyment for everyone; owners and non owners alike. I ask that when the issue is discussed and decided upon that common sense and fairness prevails.
132	Hakea Way, Dunsborough	Section E of the map which is "RED" is not long enough. It should go from Blackhurst Park to the start of Green Horn Park. Too many people are bringing their dogs down to the foreshore. Not everyone wants to swim with dogs.
133	Clubhouse Drive, Dunsborough	Restrictions are acceptable but within reason. Dog on lead between 9-3pm not 8-6pm. Access to whole foreshore.
134	Clubhouse Drive, Dunsborough	Restricted and prohibited areas unfair. I am a non dog owner and never had any problems with dogs.
135	Spindrift Cove, Quindalup	Not going to change his routine that he and his dog have been doing for the past 12 years.
136	Dunsborough	Object to restrictions, there is plenty of room for dogs in Dunsborough, I have never seen any fighting.
137	Gibney St, Dunsborough	As a dog owner I find this appalling.
138	Dunn Bay Rd, Dunsborough	Deeply concerned that dogs will be banned from the beach. There are many responsible dog owners in this area.
139	Nukklup Loop, Yallingup	Our family have used the existing exercise areas for over 20 years. I have never noticed any of the non dog owners at these beaches be interfered with or inconvenienced.
140	Bayview Cres, Dunsborough	Most people with dogs are responsible loving parents to them. Like most things a few irresponsible people spoil it for the rest of us.
141	Endicott Loop, Dunsborough	Do not agree with proposal.
142	Dunsborough	Why don't you ban seagulls & fish as well? Stupid rule, dogs in Dunsborough cool
143	Mercator Way, Eagle Bay	I have got your name from the Shire website dealing with changes to the dog beach which includes Eagle Bay. I am writing to you to express my concern over proposed changes to the rules allowing dog access to the beach. As you are aware the current rules set aside the majority of the beach as a dog free area which includes the section adjoining the car parks. The western end allows for dogs. The current system seems to work perfectly well and, according to long time owners and residents of Eagle Bay, has done so for years. For some inexplicable reason a proposal has been made to change all this and severely limit dog access to the whole beach. One of the great pleasures of going to Eagle Bay is being able to take your dog. My experience has been that owners are generally responsible and follow the rules regarding access and cleaning up. I have been had a home at Eagle Bay for 14 years and at no time have I seen any problems. If anything the presence of dogs increases the enjoyment for everyone; owners and non owners alike. I ask that when the issue is discussed and decided upon that common sense and fairness prevails. Please feel free to pass this email onto the appropriate person.
144	Beach Rd, Dunsborough	I would urge council to prohibit dog access to the area known as Elmore Street Lagoon Quindalup due to the presence of feeding/nesting water and wading birds.
145	Peregrine Court, Dunsborough	Period 1/12-30/4 is ridiculously long, should be school holidays and eater only. Times should be 10am to 5pm. Should be a green area to the east of Banks Ave, area rarely used by anyone but dog walkers.

146	PO Box , Dunsborough	No dogs at Eagle Bay North and Elmore Lagoon. These 2 areas are breeding sites for coastal migrating birds. (Please see proposal for specifics on birds.)
147	Gibney St, Dunsborough	Beach between old dunsborough boat ramp and PT Daking. That whole area should stay swimming beach only with no dogs allowed at all. Beach area is very small and used by families abd for vacational swimming lessons.It also has the raft off shore for children to swim to.
148	Gifford Rd, Dunsborough	Dunsborough needs a ranger based in the town perminantly. Area of concern is a high class tourist - short stay accomodation and a family shallow beach. By leaving this area as a 'dog beach' it does the image of the dunsborough town and the city of busselton as one that doesn't care about tourist and holiday makers. Need bins at access paths, not just dispensers.
149	Gifford Rd, Dunsborough	Dog should be prohibited from Elmore Rd lagoon as is a nesting area for birds. The main swimming beach of old dunsborough should be dog free during the warmer months, as this is a very popular area for families with children. Seems inappropriate to have dogs along the beach in front of the luxury tourist accommodation area between southern end of Vincent St and northern end of Geographe Bay Rd. Needs to be adequate rubbish bins and regular emptying.
150	Oakmont Cres, Dunsborough	The restricted times 8am to 6pm is unreasonable. Should not penalise dog owners that do the right things and clean up after their dogs. It is unreasonable to walk dog before 8 and after 6 with small children. Dogs are apart of the family and we should be able to enjoy our beach lifestyle as much as people with out pets. Make poo bags and bins more available.
151	Lecaille Crt, Dunsborough	Dunsborough and surrounding areas are calm, relaxing and very outdoor orientated. People like exercising with their dogs and I disagree strongly to the proposed.
152	Caves Rd, Yallingup	Dogs are a part of families. If dogs are surpervised then there should be no restrictions. Jetskiis are much more dangerous.
153	Cormorant Crt, Dunsborough	Object to proposal
154	Elsegood Ave, Yallingup	I've seen a blind lady with a guide dog on the beach twice, good luck with the lawyers.
155	Sheoak Drive, Yallingup	Dogs should be unrestricted
156	PO Box Dunsborough	Too many rules
157	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	<p>Have owned beach front property for 35 years and have been permanent resident for 10 years. During this time never seen or heard of any dog incidents. Have seen horses and 4WD though.</p> <p>While I respect the right of non dog owners to quiet enjoyment of the beach, I believe the proposal to forbid residents and visitors alike to quietly walk their dogs on a lead almost all day for 5/12 months of the year is unnessisary and draconian. The proposal presents no reasons for this significant change to the present rules nor does it give any indication of the number of dogs/owners involved. One can only assume that the Council believes the numbers to be very significant, otherwise why present the proposal. I comment only ont he implications for the Quindlaup Strip area.</p> <p>If there are owners who don;t control their dogs or clean up after them let them be dealth with appropriately. To punish all for the anticipated misdemeanours of a few is clearly undemocratic and is reminiscent of the whole class punishment meted out to us as children in days bygone. Surely we have moved on from group punishment as the easiest way out. It is of interest that dogs, providing they are under control , are allowed to be exercised WITHOUT A LEAD on the Nedlands Foreshore Reserve and the Claremont Chester Rd Foreshore Reserve. In the latter case the need for dogs to be on a lead was scrapped about 15 years ago. Are we really suggesting that Dunsborough dogs are less socially acceptable and their owners less responsible than their inner city suburban counterparts - and become even more so in the summer months? Surely this can't be true. Perhaps it indicates less, rather than more, control is acceptable for compliance on them, where it belongs, rather than hard to enforce policing by over worked rangers.</p> <p>If there is evidence of serious dog complaints it should be presented (suitably prepared to protect anonymity) to support the need for this proposal. At this point no evidence has been presented to justify the introduction of such a draconian and far reaching change to the present law. The proposal should therefore be rejected outright.</p> <p>Bearing in mind that veterinary authorities recommend that dogs are exercised twice a day and that the exercise is as valuable to the owner (especially when elderly) as the dog. If the proposal is accepted there are strategic implications that must be examined as dog owners will have only 3 options.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Drive to the end of Geographe Bay Rd (GBR) to the start of area A or to Area D, centennial park 2. walk their dogs on the shared footpath 3. walk their dogs on the raod verge <p>in option 1 area D has limited parking, keenly sought after in peak periods. The east end of GBR/start of area A has a small turn round circle and 2 no parking signs. On the ocean side of the road is very close to the bush and on the other side there are houses with grass verges. If dog owners are to be forced to this area, parking must be provided or complaints from home owners in the vicinity of Berry Street are inevitable. There are also beach access ways in the vicinity of Bloor and Stroud Streets, which lead to area A along the shared path, but also with no parking available, so complaints can be expected from these owners too. Has this potential conflict of interest been addressed - and if so what steps are planned to resolve it? As a matter of interest is Council aware that there are already 16 "no parking on road or verge" signs in the vicinity of the sea rescue boat ramp and a further 21 in the are of McDermott/fishermans ramp? How many more will be needed with the increased use of area A to protect houses 442-484 GBR? Additionally many dog owners are elderly and should not be forced to drive to an exercise area when they have for years been able to use the beach across the road.</p> <p>The shared path Option 2 is the most likely to be selected, but it presents significant safety problems. The path is valuable, much used nd much appreciated facility but for most of its</p>

length is only 2m wide, subsequently widening to 2.5m and in its last extension 2.8m. Much of it is winding with many blind corners all of which make it attractive but on occasions dangerous. With cyclists, often fast moving, joggers and elderly walkers, parents and grandparents with strollers and dogs on a lead there is an alarming conflict of speeds on a narrow, winding path. Many near misses have occurred, but unlike Perth to the best of my knowledge, no serious accidents to date. Are funds available to widen the 2m track (most of its length) to at least 2.8m and (sadly) straighten the blind corners? Should cyclists, especially fast moving ones, be switched back to the road to face the cars and boat trailers? An increase in dog walkers (twice a day?) will surely exacerbate an already potentially dangerous situation, especially in peak holiday periods - and is the doubtful benefit (as yet unspecified) worth the risk?

Option 3 is clearly fraught with danger. GBR is scarcely wide enough for 2 cars to pass particularly if one or both are towing large boats. In many places the road shoulder is broken or the bush is too close to the road to allow dogs and owners to walk safely. Mostly the shared path is in the bush and therefore not sufficiently close to the road to serve as a pedestrian footpath. It is hard to see this as a viable alternative.

In conclusion it is regrettable that no evidence of the need for this draconian change to dog exercise areas on the Quindalup beach front has been presented. There is not evidence that the very significant strategic implications for the Quindalup area have been considered or the necessary adjustments can be funded if the proposal is accepted. It is unlikely that Council would welcome conflict with the owners of say 446-484 GBR about incidents of verge parking at the east end of GBR in the absence of any car parking facility. It is believed that Council would not wish to take responsibility for creating more potentially dangerous situation on either the shared path or the road options. It is therefore quite clear that the proposal should be rejected.

SUBMISSIONS
DOG EXERCISE, RESTRICTED & PROHIBITED AREAS

ALL MAPS

ENQUIRY NUMBER	EMAIL / ADDRESS	SUBMISSION
1	Blackbutt Close, Yallingup Siding	I disagree with the restricted dog area sections in red and think it is too confusing to have small sections that dogs are not permitted. This should be open to dogs all year round and during summer have the restriction on when peak people hang out at the beach and stay on the beach for long periods. In winter no one uses the beach except for dog owners so why should they have be penalised. I am happy with a general restriction in summer but dogs are permitted after hours. Please ensure there are lots of doggie bags stations for people to clean up after their dogs and bins. People should be fined if they dont pick up after dogs especially in summer when kids use the beach and would like to see someone manning the beach to ensure this happens and giving out fines.
2	Email address provided	Agree with all the submission except the dogs totaly prohibited areas in what appears to be an all year round NO GO area for dogs.
3	Lyrebird Broadwater	I think the new proposed dog exercise areas are a step in the right direction.
4	Lyrebird Broadwater	Fantastic. Great recognition of the huge number of dog lovers in the area. Encourages all to EXCERCISE our dogs.
5	PO Box , VASSE	I dont understand the necessity for change.If it is related to the Shire Rangers to police current restrictions due to limited vehcile access, then I would suggest a better option is to get the ranegrs onto quad bikes or similar and have them patrol the beachfronts. This would also assist with the management of litter and would be an additional management tool for Shark Spotting along our beaches.

		<p>1. Exercise for dogs is the most important activity to ensure that these animals are balanced and well-behaved. Many dog experts agree that dogs should be walked every day, preferably twice a day and for a minimum of 30 minutes at a time. It is not normal for a dog to spend all their time indoors or behind walls. Dogs are also pack animals and like nothing more than to take part in family activities. By restricting dog owners to exercise their dogs so strongly, my concern is that many dog owners will reduce their walks significantly as it becomes too difficult and time consuming to either drive to non-restricted areas or to figure out where and when dogs are allowed. This can result in dogs developing behaviour issues such as aggression and excessive barking as they are unable to release their penned up energy.</p> <p>2. As mentioned above, the many restrictions will increase traffic in the locality as dog owners will be forced to drive their dogs where they can properly exercise them. Older dog owners who do not drive anymore may be unable to properly walk and exercise their dogs. This is an important health and social issue for many older residents.</p> <p>3. It's also important to consider the impact on tourism of banning and restricting dogs from the beach as many tourists like to bring their dogs on their holiday and are not allowed to leave their dogs alone in the caravan park/ holiday home. This might cause many tourists to stay away altogether especially those who have been coming to the Busselton, Dunsborough and Yallingup area for many years.</p>
		<p>4. The population in Busselton in particular is growing at a rapid pace. This will also see an increase in the number of dogs living in this area in the next years. The designated areas for dogs that are not restricted are simply not large enough when taking the rapid growth of the population into consideration.</p> <p>5. According to the Busselton Mail the manager of ranger and emergency services Tim Wall said changes had been proposed in order to meet the needs of all beach users especially during peak summer season. It is my experience that even during the peak-season the beach is often deserted or sparsely populated away from the Busselton Jetty. Many dog owners try to avoid the very busy areas anyway or keep their dogs on lead around tourists and children and take their dogs off the lead away from groups of children, families and tourists, so the dog can move freely and swim without causing a disturbance.</p> <p>6. The vast majority of dog owners use the beach responsibly, cleaning up after their dogs (and even picking up rubbish along the way) and are conscious not to cause nuisance to other beach users. Unfortunately there will always be a small number of irresponsible dog owners but often they are visitors to the area that reflect badly on all the other dog owners who are making a conscious effort to respect others.</p>
7		<p>7. While I understand and appreciate that not all people like to share the beach with dogs I believe that the proposed dog restricted areas are out of proportion and the proposed non-restricted areas are too small. I believe that many dog owners would agree to some changes but as outlined above the proposed changes are not practical if the council wants to ensure that humans and dogs are balanced.</p>
8	Trident Close, West Busselton,	<p>I agree with the beaches being closed during the busy periods but the hours should be 9 am to 6pm. I have to get a child to school and cannot get to the beach before 8am most mornings! Tourists are not going to use the beach before 9am, so please let us use it until at least 9am. I always pick up my dogs poo but see people leave their dogs poo everyday! Dog owners are not doing themselves any favours by leaving the poo on the beach. Thanks and good luck with it.</p>

9	Geographe Bay Rd, Dunsborough	I understand you are conducting a review of all dog exercise areas. I refer to my previous correspondence dating back to 2003 re the dog exercise area between Burt Court and Nicolas Court and various replies from the Shire advising that dogs have precedence and 'families should choose a beach that is not in a dog exercise area' (letter dated 14 March 2007) over the signature of Tim Wall Coordinator Ranger and Fire Services. This stance is even more ridiculous today as the beach in question is more popular every year for young families. During the October weekend (not exactly the swimming season) there were between 40 and 50 people, each day, on the beach and in the water, directly in front of our property and obviously more in the general area. The dangerous mix of small children and dogs running free, is only worsening each season. Not only are the children in danger of being attacked by one of the extra-ordinary mix of dogs, but also not everyone picks up the droppings which foul a beautiful beach. We anticipate that this summer the situation will deteriorate even more rapidly as there is now a real fear of sharks in the community and the shallow waters and sandbanks in this area provide a sense of security to the young families.
10	Geographe Bay Road	I disagree with the hours of restriction, the dog traffic on the beach will be too heavy. As it is now people who work generally walk there dogs early and the retirees are inclined to walk there dogs late morning or early afternoon. I find all the dog owners very respectful towards any beachgoers, and they always remove any mess.
11	Duchess Street BSN	I am ecstatic about the new proposals for dog exercise areas. It was about 18 months ago or thereabouts that I had a cuppa with the Councillors to give my view on the same topic - why dog owners couldn't exercise their dogs on restricted beaches between certain hours when public users were not around. I am pleased to say that I am very happy that these proposals have at long last been considered. The route that I generally walk and exercise my dog is Gale Street to King Street car park, and the hours between 6pm and 8am suit very well (and also to a lot of dog owners - with whom I have spoken) it's such a simple and sensible solution. I feel access has to remain, i.e. steps to the beach at Gale Street which is not only by dog owners but the public as we have several holiday units, a motel and B and B in Gale Street - a very popular beach access point. All the other steps east of Gale Street to the Jetty have been removed, probably due to the new refurbishment, so Gale Street steps would be an absolute necessity.
12	Lavender Gardens	What a great plan, many times we have gone for a walk on the beach and have had dogs run at us, jump all over us when they are wet. The owners just call the dog and do nothing about it. It will be more enjoyable for people to be able to walk along the beach in peace especially as the tourist season starts and the beaches get busier. Keep up the great work.
13	19 Carriage Tce, Vasse	Everyone needs space for recreation and having certain areas set aside for dog beaches is a great idea. At the height of holidays and the influx of people to the area shortening times and areas for dogs. Gives everyone a fair go.
14	12 Bower Rd, West Busselton	Agree with proposal
15	9755 8875	Agree to more access in all areas
16	66 Adelaide St, Busselton	Agree to all exercise areas a great idea
17		Object to proposal
18	Peel Tce, Busselton	Agree all in favour
19	Yale Close	I do not agree with the dogs restricted areas on either side of Jetty as there are no dogs allowed even when controlled on a lead. I personally walk my dog on a lead and am in control of her so I feel I should be able to have her in that area. Also there is little signage on the beaches so when walking along the beach there is no way to know if the exercise areas have changed.
20	Quenn Elizabeth Ave, Busselton	I do not agree with 1st December, I would like 1st January.
21	Taylor Close, Busselton	I believe the dogs should at all times be on a leash, never should they be off their leash. The fact they or other dogs could be vicious towards other dogs, people or kids.
22	Avocet Blvd, Busselton	Agree to proposal
23	Carey St, Busselton	I would like to see the pit bull dogs with muzzles on

24	Averil St, Abbey	I am in favour of dogs being excluded from our beaches between 8am and 6pm from Dec to April but I object to this restriction being limited to such a small porportion of our beaches. Your proposal discriminates against people who use the beaches which you don't plan to restrict. Why is it necessary for anyone to exercise a dog on our beaches between 8am and 6pm at that time of year, when there is plenty of daylight? Surely anyone who wants the privilage of exercising a dog on our beaches xan do it before 8am or after 6pm, otherwise they have the right to walk the dog on a leash on almost any street, path or approved area in Busselton. Why should citizens and visitors have to put up with dogs on ANY of our beaches during the daytime in summer?
25	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	I holiday in this area during this time period with my dogs, have done for many years. I holiday with many other families and friends who also have dogs. With these restrictions We will find somewhere else to holiday and the town of busselton and Dunsbrough will loose valuable business.
26	Geographe Bay Rd, Quindalup	We have two dogs ourselves and several friends that stay with us during this time all who have dogs. We have always been able to have our dogs on this beach and should be able to at all times.
27	Harris Rd, Busselton	Please change exercise time from 8am to 9am. Maybe end of March instead of April
28	Callitris Cres, Broadwater	I feel hours should be 9am to 6pm
29	Chaplain Gardens, Busselton	While I have no problem with the changes as it does not make a huge difference to the area where I exercise my dogs I can see the restricted hours from December to April in the East Busselton area a bit restrictive. For the retired people in the area it maybe an idea to change to the time from 9-5.
30	Hibbertia Green, Broadwater	I mainly agree to your proposal with one change. The restricted times to end at 5pm not 6pm.
31	Dorset St, Busselton	I think the current dog exercise areas should stay open all year round because there are not too many other places that you can take your dog. I object to the proposed restricted dog exercise areas as summer is a great time to take an old dog swimming to exercise them.
32	Dorset St, Busselton	I object to the proposed restricted dog exercise areas due to a few reasons. 1. The current land available for dog exercise use is already very limited. Dogs are not allowed on freehold, nature reserves, national parks, state forest, timber reserves, UCL and some crown reserves. The only available land that dog owners can even consider taking their dogs for exercise are those parts of crown reserve that is vested in the Shire for recreation. If anything, the Shire needs to increase the dog exercise areas as the percentage of land available for dog exercise is very very low. 2. Humans can use all of the above mentioned land tenures for all sorts of activities at any time of the year. If the proposed restricted dog exercise areas are supposed to be for the safety of humans then encourage humans to use all the national parks beaches where there are no dogs allowed. Why can't the current exercise areas stay open for dog exercise all year round and if people do not wish to recreate around dogs then go to those other areas. 3. Dogs need exercise and to be socialised in order to release excess energy and anxiety. By restricting the dog exercise areas it makes it very difficult for dog owners to find a reasonably close, safe area to properly exercise their dogs. This can lead to more issues for dog owners and other beach users. I am a responsible dog owner that exercises, trains and cleans up after my dog. I object to the proposed restricted dog exercise areas as I beleive dog owners are already restricted enough (considering humans can go wherever whenever they like). I think a better solution would be to educate the public on areas that are available for recreation (practically the whole coastline) so that if they don't want to be around dogs they can find somewhere else to go.
33	Wandoo Place, Cowaramup	Perfect for children, not dogs
34	Connor Rd, Lesmurdie	I would like to see the times that dogs are allowed on the beach be changed to 9am - 5pm and only going through until the end of March. Far more family friendly times as there are not large numbers of people on Smiths before 9am or after 5pm

35	Harwood Rd, Busselton	<p>I feel that the restricted hours of 8am to 6pm which are being talked about are too long - perhaps 10am to 5pm may be more suitable. During these restricted hours dog should be allowed on leash only.</p> <p>The period between 1st Dec and 30th April also too long. The peak times for tourists are Xmas and Easter predominantly so perhaps the restrictions could commence maybe xmas eve until after new years day and then commence again around easter time. Bins & bags to be at every entry point and very clear signage is required as at present signage is a bit confusing. I would like to see more rangers fining people for not picking up their dogs poo - it is a common courtesy. Tourists are the worst for this offence. Thank you for mondays presentation it was informative.</p>
36	High St, Busselton	<p>It is about time that ratepayers and tourists, who can do without dogs on the beach all the time, are considered. We need as many dogfree beaches as there are dogbeaches.</p> <p>We would love to walk the beach but my wife has got a natural fear of dogs and many others too, but hardly ever dogs are on the lead where they should be. So, dogfree beaches would be a fair go. And besides dogpoo is still an existing problem.</p>
37	Seymour St, Busselton	<p>Restricted areas should be between 9am to 5pm. Dog areas should be distinctly marked. Most tourists do not arrive in town until Christmas so restrictions should apply then not 1st Dec. More policing on picking up of dog poo.</p>
38	Seymour St, Busselton	<p>Restricted areas should be between 9am to 5pm. Dog areas should be distinctly marked. Most tourists do not arrive in town until Christmas so restrictions should apply then not 1st Dec. More policing on picking up of dog poo.</p>
39	Hester St, Busselton	<p>I like the Shire's proposed changes very much.</p>
40	Pickmore Circus, Busselton	<p>Object to proposal</p>
41	Latrobe Pl, Abbey	<p>Partially agree with proposal. Suggest restrictions be 9am to 4pm and dates be 1 Dec to 1 March. If restricted areas are within exercise areas then just put dog on leash instead of having to go up on the path. Too hot for owner and dog. Glad to see will be more free running areas and longer areas.</p>
42	Harwood Rd, Busselton	<p>Dogs restricted areas time of day is too long, suggest say 10am to 4pm most families and visitors would not go to the beach before 10am - restriction dates are too long perhaps mid December to early feb (during school holidays) when most visitors are here and then during Easter break school holidays in April.</p> <p>- perhaps restricted could also mean dogs only on a leash so you can still go for a long walk all the way along the beach</p>
43	PO Box , Subiaco	<p>Hi, I don't want to start with completely objecting. Great that dogs in designated areas are NOT permitted from probably 8-6pm. My objection is that with 4 young children my day can start at 5am and we are on the beach well before 8am to take advantage of the area, our time and pre scorching sun. Same with after 6pm. We head for the beach to enjoy at least an hour together before kids go to bed. I therefore would like you to propose that dogs outside of non permitted times (6pm-8am) MUST MUST MUST be on a leash. It is so urgent please consider my submission. My 4 kids love the beach (they are all under 7..) but scream and cry every time a dog comes and bowls them over. Its daily. I have to pick them up every time an unleashed dog comes past they are so scared as the dogs just scare them. Please consider. Thank you Nikki</p>
44	Reynolds St, West Busselton	<p>Restricting areas and times that you can walk your dog on the beach will affect the convenience for families to walk their dogs and spend time together. What about the health benefits of walking, mental and physical. Opening up Lou Weston Oval is a bad idea as not everyone will pick up after their dogs.</p>

45	Email address provided	BaDRA members are generally in agreement with the thrust of the new dog exercise area proposal as outlined by maps and definitions. We do however strongly suggest that the hours of restriction in summer be from 9am to 5pm NOT 8am to 6pm as currently proposed. We particularly support the notion that some parks currently not deemed dog exercise areas will be included, apart from the times scheduled events being conducted eg Lou Western Oval.
46	Email address provided	I am writing to you concerning the dog restrictions the council is currently trying to put in place. I personally walk my dog at 6am in the morning so the restriction will only effect me on my days off. I believe the restriction will be unfair, most families I know own a dog and enjoy taking the dog to the beach with there families, are you trying to force families to go to the beach before 8am, little to cold for the kids to swim don't you think? Or after 6pm a little late for the little ones. All the council is creating with this restriction, is problems. Problems for the tax paying, rate paying members of our community, poor fido has to stay home, did you discuss what a problem this could create for the rangers with all these energetic dogs whom would normally have gone to the beach with little Johnny ? You know this probably will create a problem for me, as the beach will be crowded with dogs, most people are afraid of my gentle giant just because of his mere size, thus making us feel unwelcome. In conclusion I am adding my voice to the many others, please do not take away our freedom of choice.
47	Sanctuary Grove, Busselton	An increase of off leash area for dogs would be welcome.Restriction of times during the holiday period would have a negative effect on Family time spent on the beach. Please address the Problem of Speeding Cyclists on our Public Walk Ways before someone gets Killed. Restrict There Speed !
48	Dairylands Drive Broadwater	I agree to this as I live in the broadwater area but to dog owners in town and Duns their walking hours are limited. Maybe if the 8am 6pm restricted areas were only restricted during the busier days of the summer period ie thursday through to sunday.
49	Seagrott Rd, Busselton	As a dog owner and daily beach walker with our dog I welcome opportunity to have input into the proposed new Dog Exercise, Restricted & Prohibited Areas and hope the changes will reflect a more reasonable and workable set of guidelines to meet the context of the beautiful beaches of Busselton.The present proposal is far too excessive in the protection of dog free zones. While I'm happy to acknowledge the need for such areas these zones seem to have been an endorsement of historical boundaries rather than evidence driven data in establishing the zones of exclusion. Similarly times appear to be based also on an arbitrary figure that doesn't reflect the observations of our household when using these beaches.Observations over the past 5 years of daily beach walking with our dog certainly wouldn't support the need for restricted zones and times base on the use by "dog friendly" versus "other" patrons. Dog friendly (that is dog walkers) would out number any other user by at least a 15 to 1 if not more. On most occasions the only other users of the entire beach are dog users. At least half of these days it is likely no other person will be on the beach for the entire walk. Our regular daily walk takes in the beachfront Seagrott Rd to the Vasse Diversion drain. Our walks can range from 6:00am – 11:00am with occasional afternoon walks.It is acknowledge that there are exceptions to this, the hot calm days that coincide with a weekend or public holiday. Numbers can be up on these days with the clusters of users at the end of Earnshaw Rd and Dolphin Rd. The wooden groin east side of Earnshaw Rd is usually the limit for these users.It maybe the impression that this means every weekend is like this. This will only occur if the weather is going to be hot. On these hot days the afternoons are times when the beach becomes full with active happy users and the potential for poor dog management could cause issue.

		<p>The policy when developed needs to provide a balance that means the beautiful resource and experience of the Busselton Beaches isn't left empty to meet a non-existent need. Dog owners excluded looking daily over an empty beach that apparently was in constant use by regular beach goers can not be a good outcome.</p> <p>To keep the beaches open to all I suggest the following adjustments to the present proposals;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • beginning time dog exclusion for any day be at 9:00am. • Public holidays and weekends are times when these restrictions apply. • These restrictions need apply for the summer months only. • All other months no restrictions need be in place. • Dog on lead anywhere with the exception of the Jetty beach area. <p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback and should you wish further clarity on any matter raised our house would be happy to assist to develop a policy that gives certainty and enjoyment to all.</p>
50	Chloe Street, Broadwater	<p>Dog owners do not comply with rules and regulations. They choose to plead ignorance and they deliberately flaunt the regulations. They certainly cannot read as they consistently ignore or disregard signage. Meelup National Park is just one example. Every time I visit this park I find dogs on the beach. Dogs frighten young children and pose a genuine menace on the beaches. They defecate wherever they choose and I find their presence on our beaches abhorrent. I propose that dogs be banned from all beaches and if this is not possible then I propose that any access by dogs be limited to the most distant and unpopulated beach areas.</p>
51	Geographe Bay Rd, Abbey	<p>I disagree as I have not noticed any problem with the current situation and enjoy exercising dogs at the current locations.</p>
52	Georgette St, Busselton	<p>Dear councillors, firstly thank you for the chance to have some input into creative new ideas, to further restrict freedom in the name of better rules. Over many years I have walked my 2 dogs on the beach and thrown a ball for them in the parks. The shire is to be commended for the doggy litter bags and I have always used these if needed as has every one else who walks their dog as they do realise the importance of clean beaches. I always also pick up other rubbish ie empty stubby bottles etc etc and so do many other dog walkers I see using the beach. This free clean up service has never been noticed, as most people are still in bed when the dog walking people are going. I honestly believe this whole exercise in bureaucracy is just making everything too complicated, and then will need more enforcement officers etc to spoil life's little relaxing moments. I do feel though there is no need for dogs to be in the immediate jetty area that is outlined in red as there are food areas and tourists, and that is not too harsh for residents to comply with. But as far as pollution is concerned I feel the jet skis from the jetty to the sea rescue building are outrageous with the danger to swimmers, noise, and general unsettling of the peaceful seaside in this area and should be moved well away for safety reasons perhaps down near the marina! honestly just leave this whole issue alone.... it is a non-event as it pleases so many people to be able to walk their dog when and where they want, and they do take care so as not to disturb anyone else. Thank you for the chance to have some input into this non-issue.</p> <p>Andrew West a caring and careful dog owner.</p>

53	Castlecrag Drive	As a dog lover, I understand the need for dog beaches. I am opposed to the proposal of a dog beach along this particular stretch of coast as I often holiday in this region. If the proposal was to go through. I'm afraid that I would be put off the area and look elsewhere. The main reason why I holiday in the region is that it is a quiet and peaceful place. In my experience, dog beaches are busy and crowded places, especially on weekends. Dogs get along just fine, it's the dog owners that are the problem. Where will they all park? In front of my quiet holiday beach house?
54	Glassby Place, Bsn	I have been walking my dog on the beaches in Busselton for the past 3 years in that time i have seen no reason that dog walkers and other beach users can not get on together. Most of the year if it was not for people walking there dogs there would be know one using ihe beaches. Please do not ban the people who use the beach the most. You also ran the risk of alienating your rate payers when out out of towners can take over the beach front like the half iron man competition did frcently. Instead of banning lets all work together so know group feels left out. Theres room for everyone.
55	Trident Close, Busselton	As a responsible dog owner who does cleanup after my dog and keeps her on the leash and give other people a wide berth and as busy mum I feel this purposal makes myself and my dog a second class citizen even criminal. It will cut down on my dogs excersise and mine as I generally only find time after kids have gone to school and as a person with back injuries my movement ability at that time of morning is very limited and in the evening well as a mother it would be out of the question.
56	Thomas St, Busselton	Agree with proposal
57	North Street Dunsborough	Strongly object to the proposed dog beach stretching from Vincent St and along Bay View Crescent as far as Forest St. This unique strip of beach has always been enjoyed by holiday makers and locals alike. As in other places where dogs are allowed, their defaecating on beaches, urinating on towels and their general annoyance to beachgoers are inevitable no matter how well they are policed.
58	Buckingham Grove, Qedjinup	It is one of the pleasures of living in this area being able to walk our dogs on the beach. The locals should not be punished for the behaviour of visitors and their dogs.
59	Matisse Way, Provence	Don't agree with no dog off leash area in Provence. Dogs should have a space to run free.
60	Bussell Hwy, Busselton	Restricted times should be 9am to 5pm. AGREE with the exercise area between Dolphin Rd west to Beach Rd (Map 3), AGREE with all orange zones on map 2 and all green zones. STRONGLY DISAGREE with Council making areas just to suit passing tourists.
61	Yelverton North Rd, Yallingup Siding	Object to proposal
62	Schooner Cres	Object to proposal
63	Foxhaven Crt, Dunsborough	Part of life to own a dog
64	Gibney St, Dunsborough	Object to proposal
65	The Enclave, Dunsborough	Ban Schoolies first
66	Mast Close, Dunsborough	Support proposal. As long as they clean up their mess
67	9Chilvers Pl, Boaila & Geographe Bay Rd	Dogs allowed anywhere and everywhere. They create a happy fun loving environment, which is the essence of the south west regions. Don't be grump old scrugers.
68	Eagle Bay	I believe they should not be restricted beyond what they already are