

## Pre-cat management legislation implementation or amendment data collection

It is recommended that any government body considering implementing new cat management legislation (or amending current legislation), first implements a process to acquire the following information, before bringing the ruling into effect. It is also recommended that the same information is collected post-implementation for the purposes of monitoring and review.

It is intended that this document is used alongside the **Background information – Policy making, metrics and data collection** document, as well as the **Sample Data Spreadsheet**.

- Community attitude to cats – Council survey
  - This will collect information about community member attitudes towards cats to assess the impact of implementing curfews, containment, and other cat management policies, on general public attitudes towards free-roaming cats.
- Numbers of traps hired (free vs fee) – dates
- Numbers of traps delivered by Council – dates
- Intake by category
  - Method of intake: Community trapped, Council trapped, surrender, public stray
  - Microchipped
  - Registration status on intake
  - Other signs of ownership (plain or flea collar, obvious vet work etc.) vs. no signs of ownership
- Outcome by category (see spreadsheet for categories)
- Community complaints about cats
- Community satisfaction with Council cat management services – Council survey
- Resource allocation and value to and for cat management activities
- Cat census – owned and other (see [here](#) and [here](#) for more information and resources)
- Impact on wildlife within municipality – partner with local wildlife care groups/environmental groups to gather relevant information.