

City Development (Certification & Compliance and Environmental Services)

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Executive Summary

This report provides an overview of Shoalhaven City Council's (Council) essential regulatory functions aimed at ensuring community safety, health, and environmental sustainability. Council is committed to regulating the key objectives in:

- public health and safety
- environmental protection
- overseeing land use and built development
- monitoring and enforcing parking safety
- animal management
- illegal dumping

To strengthen community confidence, Council prioritises transparency in all compliance matters in line with our Compliance & Enforcement Policy. We commit to providing a comprehensive half-yearly overview that details our regulatory activities, enforcement actions, and community engagement efforts.

This report highlights successes, challenges, and areas for improvement, ensuring that our elected Council and community has access to clear and accurate information regarding regulatory compliance. By promoting an open dialogue and actively involving the community in these processes, Council aims to build trust and accountability, whilst reinforcing to enforcement across the Local Government Area.

Penalty Notices and Warnings

A combined total of 4,495 penalty notices were issued by the compliance disciplines during the reporting period (Table 1) (Appendix 1). These penalties have a face value of \$1,109,402 ticketed. Based on historical figures, it is anticipated that Council will receive approximately 70% of the ticketed figure. A total of 43 warnings were issued during the period (Appendix 2).

Table 1: Penalties and warnings issued for August 2025 to January 2026

Compliance discipline	Number Issued	Total Amount	% of total amount	Warnings Issued
Compliance	18	\$49,500	0.40%	2
Compliance Swimming Pools	7	\$3,520	0.16%	0
Environmental Health	6	\$14,000	0.13%	4
Fire Safety	0	\$0	0%	0
Rangers – Animal management	151	\$109,465	3.36%	11
Rangers – Environmental	54	\$16,820	1.20%	3
Rangers – Parking	4,259	\$916,097	94.75%	23
Total	4,495	\$1,109,402	100.00%	43

Compliance – Development and Pools

Twenty-five penalty notices were issued by Compliance during the reporting period including thirteen development related penalties:

- a. Huskisson (\$18,000): Three penalty notices were issued to a corporation being the property owner for unauthorised development including construction and use, of a two-story dwelling within a factory. Retail shop fit-out including the construction of a mezzanine and hosting events and functions.
- b. Huskisson (\$6,000): Two penalty notices were issued to a builder who carried out unauthorised development while having ought to have known the work was unauthorised and without obtaining the appropriate certificates.
- c. Huskisson (\$9,000): Three penalty notices were issued to both owners of a duplex for unauthorised development and failing to comply with the terms of a development control order. This matter related to unfenced swimming pools and an unregulated private certifier development. The certifier was also reported to NSW Fair Trading.
- d. St Georges Basin (\$3,000): Two penalty notices were issued to a property owner who (at two separate properties) had converted the non-habitable garage spaces into separate secondary dwellings or habitable rooms in order to rent out the main dwellings for short-term holiday rentals. This matter also included the operation of an unauthorised home business within one of the unauthorised developments.
- e. Erowal Bay (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out unauthorised development by building a retaining wall on the boundary while having ought to have known the work was unauthorised.
- f. South Nowra (\$3,000): One penalty notice was issued to a company who is known to Council's Compliance team who carried out unauthorised development by installing shipping containers and commencing use of the land prior to obtaining appropriate consent.
- g. Tomerong (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out unauthorised development by way of constructing detached habitable rooms without development consent. A habitable building had been constructed and was being occupied by the owner.
- h. Ulladulla (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out development not in accordance with consent. Council received a written direction notice from the Certifier, who identified the development is not in accordance with approved complying development certificate. Council's investigations officer confirmed that the building work is being carried out in contravention of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.
- i. Culburra Beach (\$3,000): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out unauthorised development by using a moveable dwelling - caravan - for short term rental accommodation which does not meet the specified development standards required to qualify for the state government exemption.
- j. Culburra Beach (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out development without consent by making changes to the floor plan and alterations to windows and door openings. A substantial amount of work that required prior consent was undertaken without development consent.

- k. Callala Bay (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued to a property owner who carried out development without consent. The site inspection confirmed internal changes to the existing dwelling, inclusive of removal of internal walls and study, lounge room amended to bedroom, demolition, and construction of a first-floor front and rear deck.
- k. Greenwell Point (\$1,500): One penalty notice was issued following the receipt of a Building Information Certificate to the builder who constructed a shed without a Construction Certificate.

Seven penalty notices were issued in relation to swimming pool compliance during the reporting period for offences including swimming pools not being registered, not having a warning notice, failing to maintain a child resistant barrier, failing to comply with a written direction and swimming pools without a complying barrier (Figure 1).

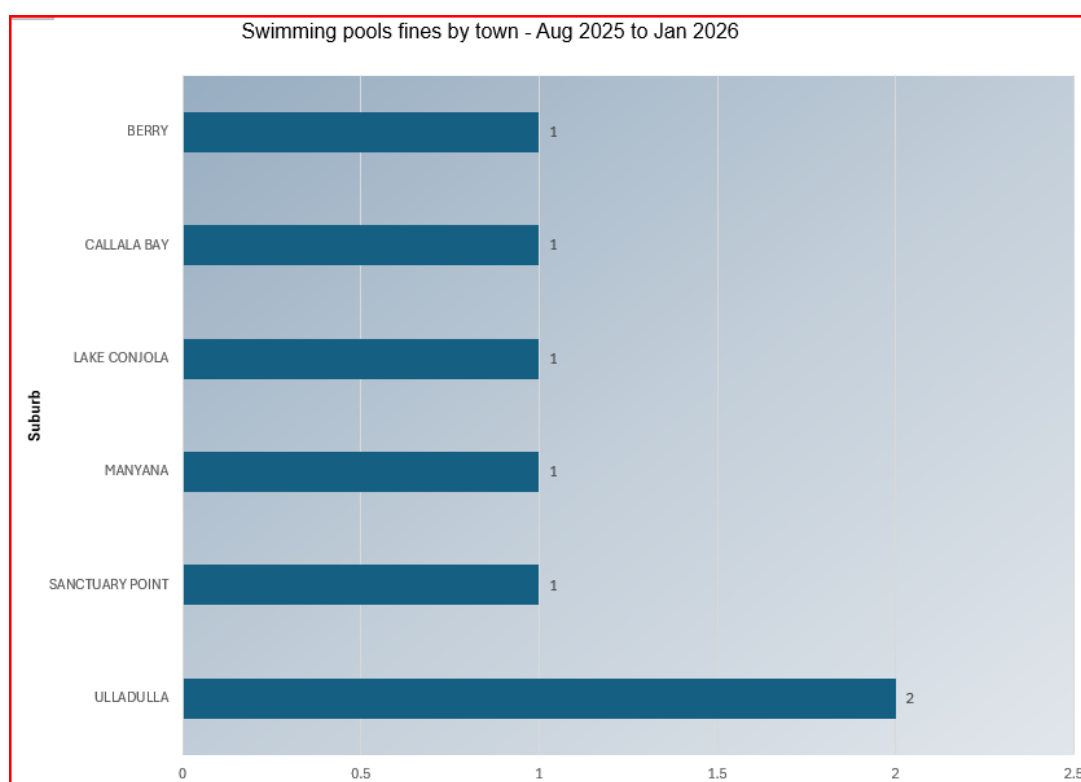


Figure 1: Swimming pools related penalty notices by town for the period

Fire Safety

Zero Fire Safety penalty notices were issued during the reporting period.

Environmental Health

Six penalty notices and four warnings were issued by Environmental Health during the reporting period:

- a. Wandandian (\$1,000): One penalty notice was issued to a fuel company (Corporation) for operating an underground fuel system without a Fuels System Operation Plan in place. One warning notice was also issued to the fuel company for failure to store groundwater monitoring results on site. Which would have equated to \$1,000 if issued as penalty notice.

- b. Callala Bay (\$0): One warning notice was issued to an individual for development without development consent - for vegetation removal. Which would have equated to \$3,000 if issued as penalty notice.
- c. Narrawallee (\$3,000): One penalty notice was issued to a building company (Corporation) for development not in accordance with development consent class 1a or 10 building for sediment and erosion concerns.
- d. Sussex Inlet (\$6,000): One penalty notice was issued to a building company (Corporation) for development not in accordance with development consent - any other case for sediment and erosion concerns on a subdivision development. One warning notice was also issued to the building company for Pollute Waters. Which would have equated to \$30,000 if issued as penalty notice.
- e. Sussex Inlet (\$1,000): Two penalty notices were issued to an individual for burning prescribed matter in the open and not preventing or minimising air pollution.
- f. Tomerong (\$3,000): One penalty notice was issued to an owner for development without development consent for vegetation removal. One warning notice was issued to the contractor for development without development consent for vegetation removal.

	
Sediment leaving the premises during development	Development not occurring wholly within development site

Examples of Environmental Health offences

Compliance and Environmental Services Court Matters

The following matters were court elected during the reporting period:

Class 3 proceedings brought against Council in the Land and Environment Court in relation to two separate development control orders. One resident of Huskisson commenced proceedings after receiving a stop use order. Council officers later negotiated those proceedings to be dropped.

In a separate matter in Callala Beach, following legal advice, Council officers withdrew a demolition order and issued an Order 21 under the *Local Government Act* in its place, then negotiated for the class 3 proceedings to be dropped. In both cases enforcement action is still underway and is expected to be resolved lawfully and appropriately.

Ranger Services

Rangers – Animal Management

Penalty Notices

There was a total of 83 dog and one cat related penalty notices issued for the period (not including registration offences). Figure 2 provides information on the penalty notices issued by town for the period.

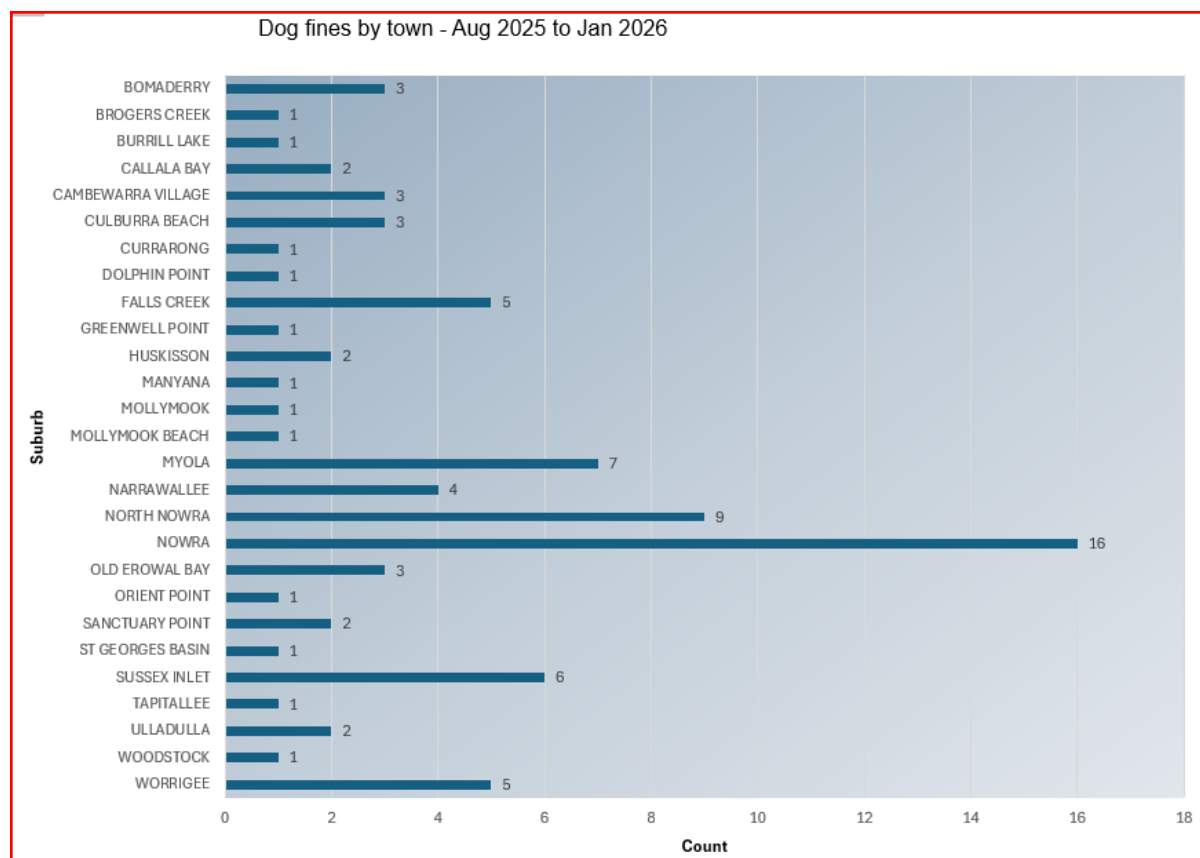


Figure 2: Dog & cat related penalty notices by town for the period

Dog Attacks:

Rangers received and attended 130 reports of dogs attacking during the reporting period. Of these reports, 100 investigations have been completed with 47 penalty notices issued (i.e., $47 \times \$1,320 = \$62,040$). A further 30 matters remain under investigation.

Although the penalty is high, dog attacks remain a major risk. Whilst there is more awareness in the community, there may still be several unreported dog attacks. Rangers continue to apply Council's resolution of 21 April 2020 (MIN20.264) for zero tolerance and issue penalty notices for all substantiated dog attacks.

As a result of dog attack investigations, declarations or orders may be issued to dog owners (Table 2). Dog owners can apply to have a declaration revoked after 12 months. Council will assess the application and determine the outcome. Nuisance orders remain in force for six months.

Table 2: Declarations and Orders for dogs in Shoalhaven LGA

Declared Dogs in Shoalhaven LGA	Number
Dangerous Dog Declaration	90
Menacing Dog Declaration	129
Restricted Breed Dog Declaration	6
Nuisance Order	9
TOTAL	234

Registration non-compliance: 67 penalty notices were issued for non-compliance with the requirements for lifetime registration, microchipping and keeping details up to date on the Companion Animals Register.

Animals – other: 37 penalty notices were issued for other dog offences such as dog not under effective control and fail to comply with control order.

Rangers – Environmental

A total of 54 penalty notices were issued for Rangers – Environmental matters. This includes camping, illegal dumping, unattended vehicles and fail to comply penalties.

Rangers – Parking

A total of 4,259 parking tickets were issued in the period. The breakdown of the tickets issued by town is provided in Figure 3.

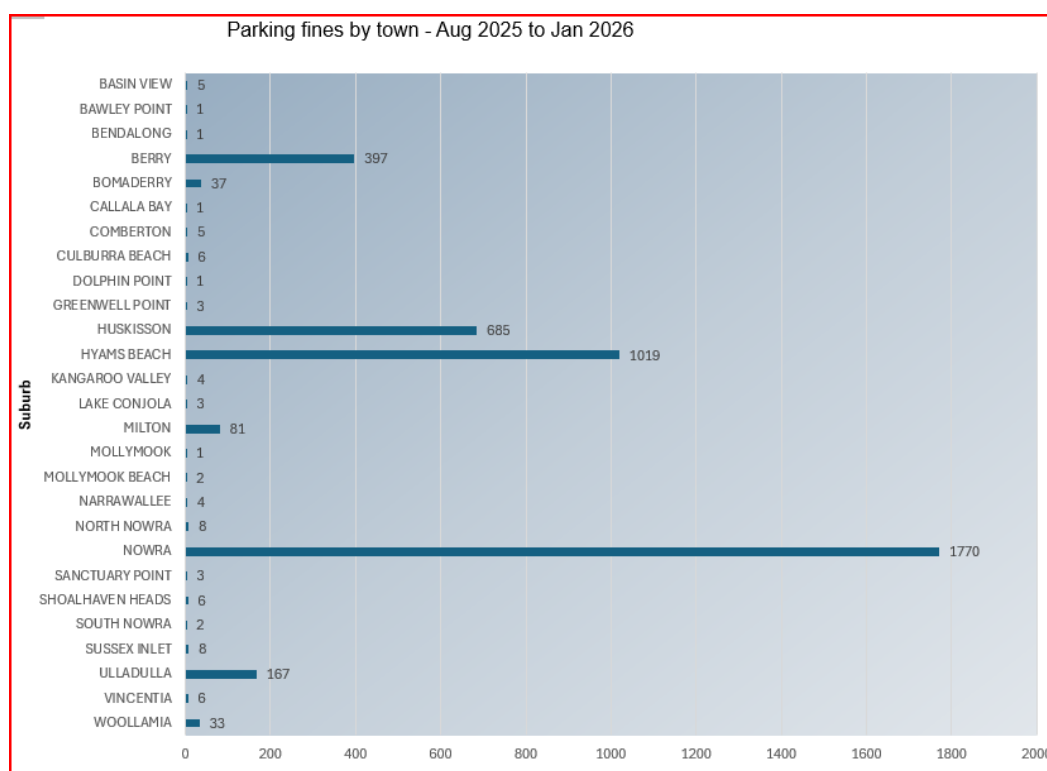


Figure 3: Parking penalty notices issued by town

	
Not park in direction of travel, Hyams Beach. Fine issued	No Stopping, Hyams Beach. Fine issued
	
Taxi Zone, Huskisson – driver returned. Verbal warning issued	Not park 45 Degree rear to kerb, Berry. Fine issued

Examples of Ranger Services parking offences

Customer Requests

Compliance

Compliance received 262 Customer Requests in the reporting period (Table 3).

Table 3: Customer requests by type received

Type of customer requests received	Number Received	Percentage of total (%)
Development Concerns	197	75%
Stormwater Complaints	28	11%
Swimming Pool Inspections	37	14%
TOTALS	262	100%

The following additional comments are made:

- a. Development concerns: This represents the highest percentage of customer requests and includes development without consent, development not in accordance with consent and land safety issues such as landslides and fire damaged dwellings.

The development requests received were from all areas of the Shoalhaven LGA, with the central area representing the highest total with 86 of the 197 or 32.8% of the total development requests received.

- b. Stormwater: Compliance receives a high number of complaints following extreme weather events. These complaints are often in towns without street drainage infrastructure and require officers to liaise with the customers to acknowledge their concern but often to advise that Council is not able to implement actions.

The requests received were from all areas of the Shoalhaven LGA, 28 stormwater requests in total with 35.7% coming from the central Shoalhaven area.

- c. Swimming pool compliance: This includes concerns raised by members of the public, referrals from private certifiers and Council's proactive inspection obligations. Council's Compliance team continues to enforce swimming pool legislation in accordance with the Council resolution (MIN22.946) to take a zero-tolerance approach to swimming pool breaches and have attended a high volume of unauthorised pools during the quarter.

Zero warnings were issued for swimming pool offences in the reporting period.

Compliance continues to streamline processes internally with the intent of reducing office-based time and increase the number of pools being inspected each quarter. For the half-yearly reporting period Council conducted 164 inspections.

Fire Safety

Council has an obligation to ensure commercial buildings are safe for occupants in the event of a fire, ensuring both egress requirements comply, and statutory fire safety measures are not only installed, but functioning as required.

In this regard, Fire Safety staff are reviewing and taking enforcement action against building owners whereby the submission of annual fire safety statements are several years overdue.

Fire Safety received 128 enquires through Request Management with an additional high volume received directly by staff. This includes requests for fire safety schedules, enquiries about building audits and concerns from the public.

A total of 465 annual fire safety statements were received during the reporting period and staff continue to follow-up on those due but not submitted.

Fire Safety staff are also part of Council Fire Safety Service Review in collaboration with Corporate Performance, Reporting and Corporate Information Systems and City Development Business Support with the aim to improve customer service and efficiency.

Environmental Health

Environmental Health received 912 Customer Requests in the reporting period (Table 4).

Table 4: Environmental Health customer requests by type

Category of customer requests	Number Received	% of total requests
Air, Land & Water Pollution (inc. Sediment & Erosion)	130	14.25%
Animals (keeping animals in residential areas)	62	6.80%
Contaminated land enquiries	2	0.22%
Noise Pollution	46	5.04%
Proactive – Environmental Inspections	146	16.01%
Public Health	288	31.58%
Short Term Rental Accommodation (STRA)	18	1.98%
Tree and Vegetation (private property)	220	24.12%
TOTAL	912	100%

The following provides a breakdown of the aspects of the customer requests that Environmental Health received:

- Air, Land and Water Pollution (inc. Sediment & Erosion): represents one of the highest percentages of customer requests received by Environmental Health and includes backyard burning, odour and smoke; pollution to waters and sediment and erosion pollution from building sites.
- Animals (keeping animals in residential areas): relates to requests received by Environmental Health in relation to the keeping of animals and conditions. This can relate to odour, nuisance (noise) and structures.
- Contaminated Land enquiries: Environmental Health administers the Potentially Contaminated Land (PCL) layer in GIS and provides advice internally and guidance to members of the public.
- Noise Pollution: noise disturbances from prescribed articles such as air conditioners and pool pumps as well as musical instruments, poultry, and licensed establishments.
- Proactive – Environmental Inspections: represents the proactive inspections undertaken for sediment and erosion controls and underground petroleum storage systems.
- Public Health enquiries: includes food premises, on-site septic systems, overgrown properties, skin penetration premises, caravan parks, commercial

swimming pools and hoarding and squalor. Requests can be complaints about a premises or enquiries for setting up a premises or questions regarding operations.

- g. Short Term Rental Accommodation (STRA): while STRA's are administered by NSW Fair Trading, Environmental Health will respond to complaints with letters outlining responsibility of owners and provide advice to customers.
- h. Tree and Vegetation (private property): relates to enquiries about restrictions and permissions around tree and vegetation removal in the Shoalhaven. These enquiries can take some time as old development approvals or Section 88b instruments have to be checked so that the correct advice can be given.

As can be seen from the numerous categories above, Environmental Health officers have a wide variety of issues that have to be addressed under various legislation. The role combines technical (scientific), legislative understanding and provides education to customers when applicable to inform and change behaviour for a positive environmental outcome.

Ranger Services – Animal Management

A total of 1017 animal management complaints were received for the quarter (Figure 4).

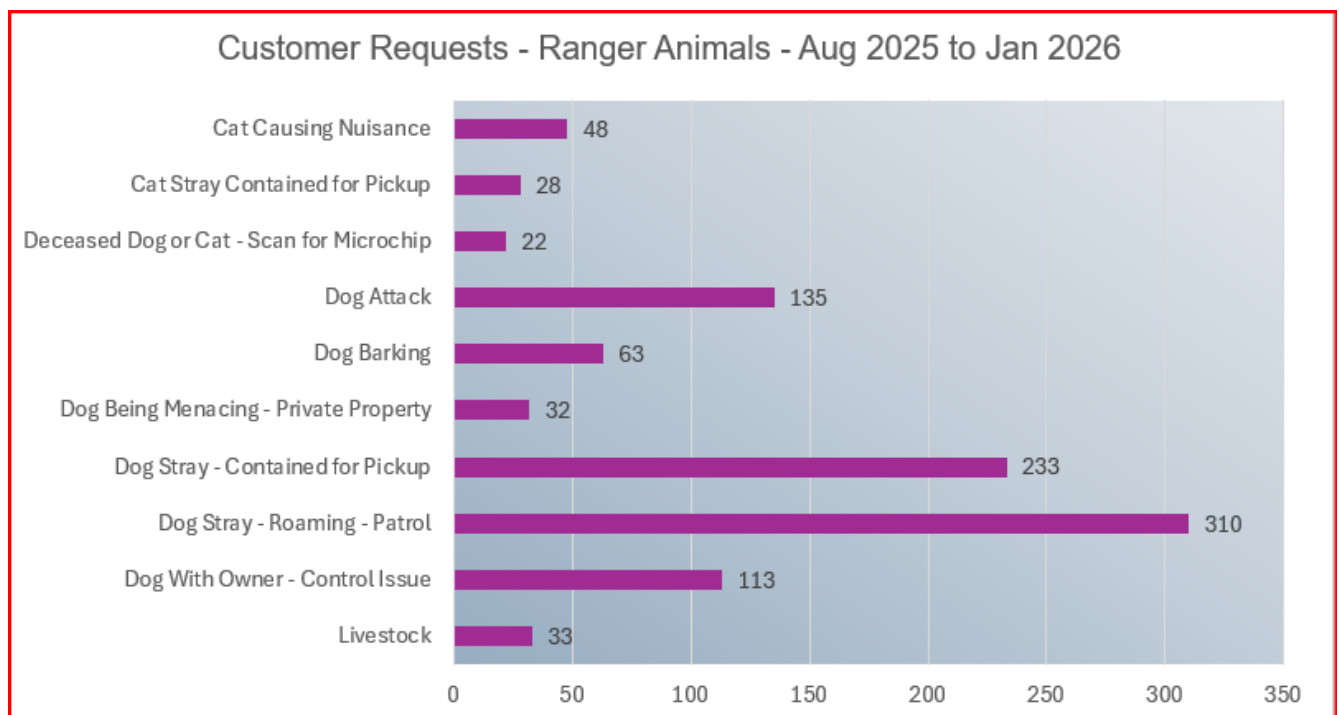


Figure 4: Customer requests for animal management issues

Ranger Services – Environmental and Parking

Rangers attended 1,556 environmental and parking complaints (Figure 5).

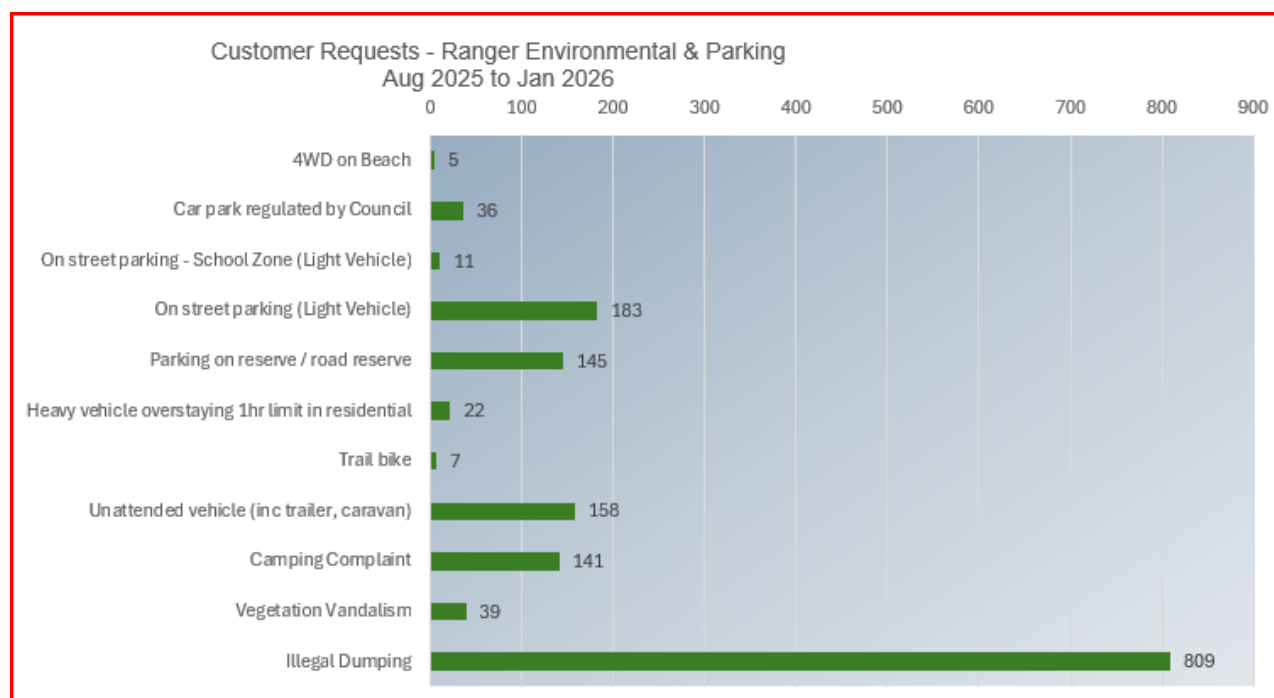


Figure 5: Customer requests for environmental and parking issues

The following provides a breakdown of the aspects of the customer requests that Ranger Services received:

- Vegetation Vandalism: Ranger Services received 39 reports of vegetation vandalism and four are still under investigation. Rangers continue surveillance of these vandalised areas in accordance with Council's Vegetation Vandalism Prevention Policy.
- Proactive Beach Patrols: Ranger Services completed 1,260 beach patrols during this quarter. A number of dog owners were spoken to during this period with Rangers identifying 1,163 compliant dogs and 119 non-compliant dogs. Enforcement action and education is undertaken when offences are detected (Appendix 3).
- Proactive Patrols – Other: Ranger Services completed 1,085 patrols with categories including Asset Inspection (RID), Asset Protection, Camping, CBD Foot Patrol, Illegal Dumping, Parking, Schools, Shopping Trolley, Unauthorised Signage, Vegetation Vandalism (Appendix 4).



Vegetation vandalism on public land at Bawley Point.
A \$3,000 fine was issued for development without consent.



Vehicle left in Council carpark, Bomaderry – before and after.



Dog roaming, Nowra - first offence.
Returned home safe. Warning issued



Unauthorised camping,
Mollymook. Warning issued

	
Dog in prohibited area, Narrawallee. Warning issued	Ranger undertake beach patrols for dogs in prohibited areas to protect nesting migratory shorebirds like this Pied Oystercatcher.

Examples of incidents investigated by Ranger Services

Ranger Services – Report Illegal Dumping (RID)

809 illegal dumping incidents were reported to RID Online including 142 duplicate jobs which often are re-reported if the rubbish remains in situ for some time. Of this figure, 110 incidents remain open pending further investigation. Strategies to reduce and prevent illegal dumping includes collaboration with other public land managers and Local Aboriginal Land Councils in the Shoalhaven.

The estimated cost to Council for the removal of the waste reported for the reporting period is \$55,010 with a total clean-up cost for all land managers of \$78,255. Data relating to this information is outlined in Table 5.

Council has experienced a 16% decrease in reported illegal dumping incidents compared to the corresponding period in 2024/25. This is the first half-yearly reduction in the past five years.

Table 5: Waste types and weight for the period (from RID online)

Waste Types	Incidents	Incident %	Weight (tonnes)
Asbestos	18	2.7%	3.09
Commercial & Industrial	41	6.1%	12.42
Construction & Demolition	29	4.3%	3.45
Electronic Waste	14	2.1%	0.28
Household Waste	337	50.5%	35.81
Liquid Waste	1	0.1%	0.04

Mulch & Green Waste	44	6.6%	4.79
Other	69	10.3%	2.34
Scrap Metal	21	3.1%	1.13
Soil and Excavated Material	5	0.7%	2.64
Tyres	47	7.4%	4.18
Vehicles & Car Parts	41	6.1%	15.83
Duplicates	142	N/A	86
TOTAL	809	100%	172



Illegal dumping at Yerriyong.
Suspect identified and fines to be issued



Illegal dumping at St Anns St, Nowra.
Offender fined \$1,000

	
Illegal dumping, West Nowra. No offender identified	Illegal dumping, Bamarang. Offender fined \$1,000
	
Illegal dumping, Warramunga St, Nowra. Offender fined \$1,000	Sand Track, Gerroa Road, Berry. Remains under investigation

Examples of sites where dumped waste has been identified

Ranger Services – Animal Shelter

The animal shelter continues to achieve positive outcomes while facing ongoing challenges in providing optimal care.

- **73% of stray cats** entering the shelter are **not microchipped** which is a decrease from the previous period. However, the actual **intake of cats has increased by 20%**
- **Non-microchipped dogs** is consistently around **45%**
- **Reclaim rates have dropped** again this period. **Cat reclaims have dropped from 7% to 4.5%. Dog reclaim rates have dropped from 43% to 28%**

The shelter is receiving daily requests for the surrender of dogs and cats, driven by a range of factors including homelessness, financial hardship, behavioural issues, and owners no longer wishing to retain their animals. As a result, the dog surrender waitlist currently includes 11 animals, with anticipated wait times extending to up to six months by the end of 2025. The longest-waiting dog has currently been on the list for 15 weeks. A cat surrender waitlist has also been established and currently includes six cats.

Data related to the Animal Shelter activities is presented in Tables 6, 7 and 8.

Table 6: Figures relating to the Animal Shelter

Animal Shelter Facebook followers	28,039
Income	\$68,261
Contributions from community	\$760
Animal desexing vouchers – RSPCA	0
Animal desexing vouchers - AWL	10

Table 7: Data on incoming and outgoing dogs and cats

Cats	Number		Dogs	Number
Cats incoming M/C	28		Dogs incoming M/C	123
Cats incoming not M/C	150		Dogs incoming not M/C	65
TOTAL	178		TOTAL	188
Cats incoming - Ranger	20		Dogs incoming - Ranger	100
Cats incoming - Public	147		Dogs incoming - Public	87
Cats Surrendered	44		Dogs Surrendered	37
Shelter Offspring	11		Shelter Offspring	1
Emergency Boarding	0		Emergency Boarding	0
TOTAL	222		TOTAL	225
Cats Reclaimed by Owner	10		Dogs Reclaimed by Owner	64
Cats Adopted	135		Dogs Adopted	142
Cats Euth'd Feral	30		Dogs Euth'd aggressive	17
Cats Euth'd medical	8		Dogs Euth'd medical	0
Transferred to rescue	2		Transferred to rescue	1
TOTAL	185		TOTAL	224

Cats returned home by Ranger	0	Dogs returned home by Ranger	77
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Companion Animals Register

The numbers of companion animals per animal category is presented in Table 8. This information is reliant on pet owners keeping their information current on the Register.

Table 8: Companion animals in Shoalhaven LGA

Animal category	Total animals in Shoalhaven		
	ID Only	Registered	Total
Cats	4,360	14,513	18,873
Dogs	15,300	53,215	68,515
Total	19,660	67,728	87,388

Incoming Companion Animal forms

Forms from the public are processed at the Animal Shelter. Pet owners can manage their own data via NSW Pet Registry, but the option exists to utilise Council for this service. Council is required to update the information within seven days of receipt. The number of forms entered onto the NSW Companion Animals Register by the Animal Shelter staff this quarter are listed in Table 9.

Table 9: Companion animal forms processed by Council

Function	Number
Change of owner	663
Change of address or details	70
Permanent identification	125
Lifetime Registration	347
Pet forms – includes above categories	1,042
Total	2,247

A total of 871 registrations totalling \$41,226 were received via Council (Appendix 5).

A total of 118 additional fees totalling \$22,831 for non desexed dogs were received via Council (Appendix 6).

Education

Compliance

The compliance team has undertaken the following education measures in the second half of 2025.

Swimming Pools

The Compliance Team continued with the “**A pool that complies saves lives**” campaign throughout the 2025–26 summer period. Relaunched in November 2025, the campaign focused on promoting backyard pool safety and reinforcing key compliance requirements, particularly in higher-risk environments such as short term rental accommodation (STRA) properties and caravan parks.

A coordinated communication strategy was delivered through strong collaboration with Council’s Media & Communications Team, who facilitated the design, preparation, and rollout of campaign materials across all channels.

Key elements included:

Media Release: A mayoral media release highlighted safety concerns associated with STRA properties, caravan parks, and the risks posed by small inflatable and portable pools. The release reinforced the requirement for compliant pool barriers regardless of pool type or permanence.

Targeted Campaign Materials: Tailored posters and digital assets were produced to address compliance obligations for small inflatable and temporary pools. These resources clearly communicated the need for proper pool fencing and the dangers associated with non-compliant setups.

Social Media Campaign: Three dedicated social media posts were published in November, December, and January, ensuring continued visibility and timely reinforcement of summer safety messaging.

Digital Hub Screens: Articles on pool-safety requirements and compliance obligations were included in the October and December issues of the *In Your Neighbourhood* newsletter, increasing community reach and awareness.

This multi-channel, collaboratively delivered approach ensured strong, consistent pool-safety messaging throughout the peak swimming season, supporting Council’s broader objective of reducing preventable incidents and improving community awareness of pool-safety compliance requirements.

Environmental Health

The Environmental Health team hosted an Asbestos Workshop for Local Government NSW for regulatory officers. Our Environmental Health Officer – Soil and Water presented a webinar for Environmental Health Australia (NSW) on Erosion and Sediment Control Principles.

Environmental Health Officers have collaborated in several multiagency Public and Environmental Health investigations. We also attend quarterly meetings with the NSW Food Authority Regional Food Group and NSW Public Health Regional Liaison.

Ranger Services

The following education and promotion was carried out by Ranger Services:

Illegal Dumping – RID:

Production of professional videos for social media, Council website and in local picture theatres. Scroll to the bottom of [Stop illegal dumping | Shoalhaven City Council](#) to view the videos.

Creation of 'Get Involved Shoalhaven' (Illegal Dumping)

[Help us stop illegal dumping in the Shoalhaven | Get Involved Shoalhaven](#)

Animal Shelter:

"Did You Know" Facebook posts are published weekly on Sundays and focus on educating the community on responsible pet ownership and animal welfare. Topics focus on promoting responsible pet ownership, animal welfare, and community awareness, with an emphasis on legislative compliance, preventative care, emergency preparedness, and informed decision-making.

Staff attended the Dogs Day Out on Sunday 31 August at the Nowra Showground. It was a great day with one dog being adopted as a result of being seen at the event.

Keeping Cats Safe at Home:

This is a joint initiative coordinated by RSPCA working with 30 councils in NSW including Shoalhaven. Phase 2 of this project will run for 18 months finishing in December 2026. It focuses on desexing and social media.

[Council supports Keeping Cats Safe at Home | Shoalhaven City Council](#)

 Council supports Keeping Cats Safe at Home Published on 27 October 2025 Shoalhaven Council is joining forces with the RSPCA and the NSW Government to encourage and enable cat-owners to desex their pets and prevent them from roaming in local neighbourhoods. Media Release October 2025 • 322 views • 206 users (0.15% of total site users have seen it) • 38 seconds average engagement time • 805 events (suggests many users clicked the links at bottom of the media release)	 Keeping cats safe at home Council is joining forces with the RSPCA and the NSW Government to encourage and enable cat owners to desex their pets and prevent them from roaming in local neighbourhoods. The RSPCA has launched the Keeping Cats Safe at Home project which urges cat-owners to keep their pets indoors to reduce their impact on the environment and improve their wellbeing. MORE INFORMATION In Your Neighbourhood October 2025	 Keeping Cats Safe at Home We're joining forces with the RSPCA and the NSW Government to encourage and enable cat-owners to desex their pets and prevent them from roaming in local neighbourhoods. The not-for-profit organisation has launched its Keeping Cats Safe at Home project urges cat-owners to keep their pets indoors to reduce the animal's impact on the environment and improve their wellbeing. Shoalhaven is among 30 councils in NSW partnering with the RSPCA to educate the community ABOUT THE PROGRAM Staff Newsletter October 2025	 Animal Shelter Giving Tree gifts pile up A big thanks to everyone who has donated to the Animal Shelter Giving Tree. There are so many gifts piled up beneath it, our shelter mascot Alfie could barely squeeze into the pic! All the donated toys will go towards spoiling the animals that will spend Christmas at the Shelter. Thinking about adopting a pet? Please chat to our friendly staff for tips and advice. CHAT WITH US In Your Neighbourhood December 2025
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Appendices

Appendix 1: Penalties issued by team and offence code

Offence Code by Team	Number Issued	Offence Value	Total Amount
Compliance	18		\$49,500
Development without development consent - any other case - Corporation	1	6000	6000
Development without development consent - any other case - Individual	2	3000	6000
Development without development consent - class 1a or 10 building - Individual	8	1500	12000
Carry out development forbidden on land - any other case - Corporation	1	6000	6000
Development not accord consent - class 1a or 10 building - Individual	1	1500	1500
Development without development consent - class 1a or 10 building - Corporation	1	3000	3000
Fail to comply with terms of development control order - Individual	1	3000	3000
Carry out building work without required certificate-not class 1a/10 building - Individual	1	3000	3000
Carry out building work without required certificate-not class 1a/10 building - Corporation	1	6000	6000
Carry out building work without required certificate-class 1a or 10 building - Corporation	1	3000	3000
Compliance Swimming Pools	7		\$3,520
Fail to ensure registration information entered on Register	1	220	220
Fail to maintain child-resistant barrier effective and safe	1	550	550
Residential pool not have complying barrier - Owner	5	550	2750
Environmental Health	6		\$14,000
Development without development consent - any other case - Individual	1	3000	3000
Development not accord consent - class 1a or 10 building - Corporation	1	3000	3000
Development not accord consent - any other case - Corporation	1	6000	6000
Burn prescribed matter in the open in specified local government area - Individual	1	500	500
Burn in the open not prevent or minimise air pollution - Individual	1	500	500
Use storage system if fuel system operation plan documentation not in place - Corporation	1	1000	1000
Fire Safety	0		\$0
Ranger Animal	151		\$109,465
Companion animal (other) not registered as prescribed - first offence	54	330	17820
Companion animal (other) not registered as prescribed - second or subsequent offence	2	330	660
Fail to comply with nuisance dog order - 1st offence	1	275	275
Fail to prevent dog from escaping - not dangerous/menacing/restricted dog	9	220	1980
Former owner not notify change of ownership	1	180	180
In charge of dog which rushes at/attacks/bites/harasses/chases any person/animal	21	1320	27720
Owner of dog not under control in public place	9	330	2970
Owner of dog which rushes at/attacks/bites/harasses/chases any person/animal	26	1320	34320
Not comply notice to register companion animal - first offence	9	305	2745

Fail to comply with menacing dog control requirements	9	1760	15840
Owner of dog in prohibited public place	1	330	330
Fail to comply with dangerous dog control requirements	1	1760	1760
Dog not wear collar and name tag - not dangerous/menacing/restricted dog	3	180	540
Owner not comply with nuisance cat order - 1st offence	1	165	165
Dog to be declared dangerous or menacing not under effective control	1	1320	1320
Not notify change in registration/identification information - not dangerous/menacing/restricted dog	1	180	180
In charge of dog not under control in public place	2	330	660
Ranger Environment	54		\$16,820
Commit/cause/permit illegal dumping of litter or waste over 50L/kg - Individual	1	1000	1000
Deposit litter (other litter and excluding cigarette) not from vehicle - Individual	2	500	1000
Development without development consent - any other case - Individual	1	3000	3000
Fail to comply with terms of notice erected by council	32	110	3520
Stand unregistered registrable Class A motor vehicle on road	10	330	3300
Unlawfully remove plant/animal/rock/soil from public place	4	220	880
Fail to comply with section 28 notice for class 3 item - Individual	3	1320	3960
Deposit litter (small item excluding cigarette) not from vehicle - Individual	1	160	160
Ranger Parking	4,259		\$916,097
Disobey motor bike parking sign	74	140	10360
Disobey no parking sign	103	140	14420
Disobey no stopping sign	419	330	138270
Double park	8	330	2640
Not parallel park in direction of travel	185	330	61050
Not parallel park in direction of travel (road related area)	5	140	700
Not parallel park near left	2	140	280
Not position front/rear of vehicle correctly - 90 degree angle parking	138	140	19320
Not position rear of vehicle correctly - 45 degree angle parking	523	140	73220
Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	54	100	6640
Parallel park close to dividing line/strip	10	330	3300
Park continuously for longer than indicated	988	140	138320
Park so as to obstruct vehicles/pedestrians	2	140	280
Park vehicle for longer than maximum period allowed	761	100	101740
Stop at side of road with continuous yellow edge line	490	330	161700
Stop in bus zone (not clearway or transit/bus lane)	55	330	18150
Stop in disabled parking area without current permit displayed	73	704	51392
Stop in intersection	1	423	423
Stop in loading zone	30	235	7050
Stop in loading zone longer than 30 minutes	13	235	3055
Stop in taxi zone	55	235	12925
Stop near fire hydrant/indicator/plug indicator	4	140	560
Stop on path/strip in built-up area	67	330	22110
Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land	28	330	9240

Stop within 10 metres of an intersection (no traffic lights)	37	423	15651
Stop in bus zone (in school zone)	26	423	10998
Stop on painted island	5	140	700
Obstruct access to ramp/path/passageway	2	330	660
Stop in bus zone (clearway or transit/bus lane)	3	330	990
Disobey no stopping sign (in school zone)	44	423	18612
Disobey no parking sign (in school zone)	10	235	2350
Stop on/near childrens crossing (in school zone)	1	562	562
Not park wholly within parking bay	5	140	700
Not park at 90 degree angle	3	140	420
Stop heavy/long vehicle longer than 1 hour	2	140	280
Parallel park close to front/back of vehicle	1	140	140
Stop on/across driveway etc to/from land (in school zone)	1	423	423
Not face direction of travel (road related area divides rd)	1	140	140
Park vehicle not wholly in marked parking space	18	140	2520
Double park in school zone	2	423	846
Disobey no buses sign (GVM)	1	235	235
Dispose of waste into council sewer without approval - item 4 of Part C	1	330	330
Not angle park as on parking control sign or road marking	3	140	420
Stop within 10 metres of an intersection (no traffic lights) - school zone	1	562	562
Stop in/on bus/transit/truck lane (not clearway)	3	330	990
Not parallel park in direction of travel in school zone	1	423	423
Grand Total	4,495		\$1,109,402

Appendix 2: Warnings issued by team and offence code

Compliance	2
Development without development consent - any other case - Individual	1
Carry out any other activity without required certificate-class 1a/10 building - Individual	1
Swimming Pools	0
Fire Safety	0
Environmental Health	4
Development without development consent - any other case - Individual	2
Pollute waters - first offence - Corporation	1
Not record sampling and analysis results of groundwater monitoring wells - Corporation	1
Ranger Animal	11
Fail to prevent dog from escaping - not dangerous/menacing/restricted dog	2
Owner of dog not under control in public place	5
Owner of dog in prohibited public place	1
Owner of dog which rushes at/attacks/bites/harasses/chases any person/animal	2
Dog to be declared dangerous or menacing not under effective control	1
Ranger Environment	3
Fail to comply with terms of notice erected by council	1

Stand unregistered registrable Class A motor vehicle on road	1
Expose article in/on/over road/let article be exposed at road without approval	1
Ranger Parking	23
Park vehicle for longer than maximum period allowed	1
Stop in loading zone	1
Stop on path/strip in built-up area	6
Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land	1
Stop in bus zone (not clearway or transit/bus lane)	1
Park so as to obstruct vehicles/pedestrians	8
Disobey no stopping sign	3
Disobey no stopping sign (in school zone)	1
Park continuously for longer than indicated	1
Grand Total	43

Appendix 3: Proactive patrols – dogs on beaches & reserves

Beach / Reserve	# Beach / Reserve	# Compliant Dogs	# Non-compliant Dogs
Basin View Boat Ramp Reserve - Off Leash 24 hrs	9	11	0
Bawley Beach	12	5	0
Bawley Point Avenue Beach	2	0	5
Bawley Point Cormorant Beach	3	6	0
Bawley Point Gannet Beach	1	0	0
Bawley Point North Beach	2	0	0
Bendalong Boat Harbour Beach	5	2	0
Bendalong Dee Beach	1	0	0
Bendalong Flat Rock Beach Prohibited	3	0	0
Bendalong Monument Beach	4	0	0
Bendalong Washerwomans Beach Off Leash 24 hrs	5	23	1
Berrara Beach Spit Prohibited	27	0	2
Berry Showground	9	4	0
Burrill Lake Burrill Beach	2	0	2
Burrill Lake Entrance Beach	1	0	0
Burrill Lake Lions Park	9	0	0
Callala Bay	38	91	1
Callala Bay Bicentennial Park	20	63	4
Callala Bay Wowly Creek	25	118	10
Callala Beach East End	15	30	2
Callala Beach Prohibited Area	6	0	0
Callala Beach West End	6	17	3
Cudmirrah Beach - North	10	9	1
Cudmirrah Beach - South	5	5	1
Cudmirrah Kirby's Beach	4	2	0
Cudmirrah Nature Reserve	3	4	2

Culburra Beach North On Leash	4	2	0
Culburra Beach South Off Leash timed	14	21	0
Culburra Beach Tilbury Cove	8	12	1
Culburra Lake Wollumboola Prohibited	38	4	0
Culburra Warrain Beach	8	18	3
Cunjarong Beach	4	7	4
Cunjarong Point	2	0	0
Currarong Abrahams Bosom Beach	35	49	5
Currarong Beach Off Leash timed	17	40	1
Currarong Kinghorn Point	3	3	0
Currarong Rock Pool	8	1	0
Currarong Warrain Beach	5	4	0
Dolphin Point	4	3	6
Frogs Holla Sports Ground Milton	10	0	4
Greenwell Point Foreshore Reserve	45	139	1
Huskisson Beach Off Leash timed	18	49	0
Huskisson Currambene Creek Prohibited	7	0	0
Huskisson Moona Moona Beach / Creek	90	10	5
Huskisson Shark Net Beach Prohibited	61	0	1
Hyams (Seamans) Beach	13	24	0
Hyams Beach Chinamans Beach - NPWS	24	0	0
Hyams Beach Little Hyams Beach	49	17	1
Kioloa Beach	8	6	0
Lake Conjola Conjola Beach	2	2	0
Lake Conjola Cunjurong Beach Shore Birds	5	0	0
Lake Conjola Ocean Beach Spit Prohibited	7	0	3
Lake Tabourie Sunburnt Beach	1	0	0
Lake Tabourie Tabourie Beach	5	1	0
Lake Tabourie Wairo Beach	1	0	0
Manyana Beach	18	10	15
Manyana Inyadda Beach	3	1	1
Merry Beach	4	0	0
Milton Showground	20	10	1
Mollymook Beach North Prohibited	15	0	0
Mollymook Beach On Leash 24 hrs	17	10	0
Mollymook Beach South Prohibited	8	0	0
Mollymook Bogey Hole	5	0	1
Mollymook Colliers Beach Off Leash 24 hrs	1	1	0
Mollymook Unknown Beach nth of Collers	2	1	0
Myola Breakwall NPWS	1	0	0
Myola Spit Prohibited	23	0	0
Narrawallee Beach North Prohibited	26	1	4
Narrawallee Beach Off Leash timed	3	4	2
Narrawallee Beach South Prohibited	14	0	0

Narrawallee Spit Prohibited	5	1	0
Nowra Showground	26	70	0
Old Erawal Bay Prentice Reserve	9	3	0
Orient Point Foreshore Reserve Orama Crescent	3	0	0
Sanctuary Point Paradise Beach Reserve	2	0	0
Sanctuary Point Ray Brooks Rsrv (BTRMP - STR) PRHB	29	0	1
Shoalhaven Heads River Road Reserve Off Leash 24hr	14	21	0
Shoalhaven Heads Seven Mile Bch Off Lsh 24hr/OnLsh	36	127	3
Shoalhaven Heads Spit Prohibited	66	2	2
St Georges Basin Blackett Park	1	0	0
St Georges Basin Kingfisher Reserve	5	2	0
Sussex Inlet Waterfront Reserve	2	0	0
Swan Lake - Ski Club BR to Yaroma Ave BR Off Lsh T	5	8	0
Ulladulla Harbour Inner Beach	1	0	3
Ulladulla Harbour Northern Beach Off Leash 24 hrs	1	2	0
Ulladulla One Track for All	1	0	0
Ulladulla Racecourse Beach 1	13	16	6
Ulladulla Rennies Beach	3	2	3
Vincentia Barfleur Beach	16	13	0
Vincentia Blenheim Beach Prohibited	31	0	1
Vincentia Collingwood Beach Prohibited	93	0	3
Vincentia Greenfield Beach	3	0	0
Vincentia Nelsons Beach Off Leash timed	9	53	4
Vincentia Orion Beach	2	3	0
Vincentia Plantation Point	1	0	0
Grand Total	1,260	1,163	119

Appendix 4: Proactive patrols - other categories

Patrol Type	# Patrol Type	Additional Information
Asset Inspection (RID)	0	Checking infrastructure
Asset Protection	79	
Camping	139	
CBD Foot Patrol	29	
Illegal Dumping	106	Rubbish found = 36
Parking	637	
Schools	93	
Shopping Trolley	1	
Unauthorised Signage	0	
Vegetation Vandalism	0	
Water Flow Restrictor Check	1	
Grand Total	1085	

Appendix 5: Registration income by registration type

Registration Categories	Number	Total \$ Value
Cat - Registration (sold by PoundShelter)	217	\$0
Dog - Registration (sold by PoundShelter)	97	\$0
Jul 2024-Jun 2025 Dog - Registration	1	\$78
Jul 2024-Jun 2025 Dog - Registration (eligible pensioner) with Late Fee	1	\$56
Jul 2024-Jun 2025 Dog - Registration (recognised breeder) with Late Fee	1	\$100
Jul 2024-Jun 2025 Dog - Registration including Additional Fee	1	\$262
Working Dog	3	\$0
Cat - Registration (eligible pensioner)	11	\$385
Cat - Registration Desexed or Not Desexed	23	\$1,610
Cat - Registration Desexed or Not Desexed with Late Fee	13	\$1,209
Dog - Registration	258	\$20,640
Dog - Registration (eligible pensioner)	88	\$3,080
Dog - Registration (eligible pensioner) with Late Fee	27	\$1,566
Dog - Registration Not Recmd	6	\$480
Dog - Registration with Late Fee	94	\$9,682
Cat - Registration (eligible pensioner) with Late Fee	3	\$174
Cat - Registration (recognised breeder)	2	\$140
Cat - Registration Not Desexed - Not Recmd	1	\$70
Dog - Registration (recognised breeder)	16	\$1,280
Dog - Registration (recognised breeder) with Late Fee	2	\$206
Dog - Registration Not Recmd (eligible pensioner)	3	\$105
Dog - Registration Not Recmd with Late Fee	1	\$103
Exempt Greyhound-Racing Act	2	\$0
Grand Total	871	\$41,226

Appendix 6: Additional fees for non-desexed dogs

Additional Fee Categories	Number	Total \$ Value
Additional Fee - Not Desexed By Relevant Age	92	\$17,388
Additional Fee - Not Desexed By Relevant Age (Pensioner)	3	\$848
Additional Fee - Not Desexed By Relevant Age with Late Fee	19	\$567
Additional Fee - Not Desexed By Relevant Age (Pensioner) with Late Fee	4	\$4,028
Grand Total	118	\$22,831