



Our reference: Food Act 2006
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Food Standards Australia New Zealand
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Dear Madam/ Sir,

**RE: PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS ON PROPOSAL 1018 TO ALLOW
COMPANION DOGS IN OUTDOOR DINING AREAS OF FOOD PREMISES.**

Please find below Whitsunday Regional Council's submission on proposal 1018 to allow companion dogs in outdoor dining areas of food premises.

Whitsunday Regional Council supports the proposal. This proposal clearly defines the responsibilities of food business with regards to assistance animals. It also allows businesses flexibility on how they want to manage dogs that are not assistance animals in outdoor dining areas.

Council is committed to working with your organisation to develop proposals that will achieve a positive outcome for food business, community, Commonwealth Government, Queensland Government and local government.

I look forward to receiving your response to Council's submission. I also welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these issues.

Yours sincerely,

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