

Draft Dog Off-Leash Action Plan

Action plan (2024/25)

There is \$130,000 committed to deliver the action plan in 2024/25.

Action	Cost	Timeframe	Resource
Audit of dog signage within the municipality at the following locations to confirm condition and location of existing signage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing dog off-leash areas Foreshore and beaches Sporting reserves Playgrounds All other open spaces. 	\$50K	Commenced	Project Manager, supported by Open Space Planner and Animal Management Officer Communications Officer
Implementation of new signage, informed by audit (likely to be staged over 2 financial years)			
Engagement to inform the recommended changes to designated DOLAs in up to 12 sites: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-site pop ups Have Your Say survey 	\$50K	Commence in February 2025	Open Space Planner Animal Management Officer Engagement Advisor
Amending the Council Order, including associated legal costs, to change DOLA designation			
Updates to Council's website	BAU	Commenced	Open Space Planner
Develop design guidelines for DOLAs	\$10K	Commence in 2025	Open Space Planner
Develop and implement a dog education program	\$10K	Commence in 2025	Animal Management Officer
Update the dog registration process to encourage all dogs to register	\$10K	Commence in 2025	Animal Management Officer
Continue to advocate to Parks Victoria to encourage the inclusion of fenced dog off-leash areas within Albert Park Reserve	BAU	Ongoing	Open Space Planner

Future years action plan

Action	Cost	Timeframe	Resource
Implementation of new signage, informed by 24/25 audit	\$50K	25/26	Project Manager, supported by Open Space Planner and Animal Management Officer Communications Officer
Amending the Council Order, including associated legal costs, to change DOLA designation	\$50K	25/26	Open Space Planner Animal Management Officer
Design and deliver a new fenced DOLA	\$510K	Design – 25/26 Delivery – 26/27	Project Manager

Examples of dog signage

