

Position Title:	RANGER
Position no.	20220017
Department:	Planning and Environmental Services
Main purpose of the role:	Undertake enforcement of relevant legislation, Codes and Policies appropriate to Council's regulatory function.
	Be responsible for effective animal control functions to ensure compliance with any statutory and safety requirements.
	Assist in implementing the objectives, actions and strategies of Council's Management Plan relative to the Environmental Services Department.
Reports to:	Director Planning and Environmental Services
Organisational Relationships:	General Manager Director Planning and Environmental Services Ranger
Staff reporting to this position:	Nil
Term of Employment	Full Time
Hours of work:	38 hours per week Monday to Friday based on a 9 day working fortnight.
Salary Grade:	10
Disclosure of Interest:	No
Is the position required to complete a Disclosure of Interest Form (clause 4.18 of Council's Code of Conduct for Council Staff)	

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

- Undertake enforcement of relevant legislation, Codes and Policies appropriate to Council's regulatory function.
- Be responsible for effective animal control functions to ensure compliance with any statutory and safety requirements.
- Assist in implementing the objectives, actions and strategies of Council's Management Plans.
- To provide high quality Ranger services to the Blayney Shire Council local government area, whilst promoting and maintaining a positive public image for Council.
- Ensure that all relevant statutory requirements are met and that Council's interests and integrity are protected.
- Investigate complaints in relation to rubbish dumping issue Penalty Infringement Notices as required.

- Act as Impounding Officer and perform other duties in relation to Council being an Impounding Authority in accordance with the provisions of the *Impounding Act, 1993* and associated regulations and maintain records in relation to same.
- Coordinate the removal and release of animals and other items impounded as required.
- Coordinate Council's dog registration programs and promote Council's responsible dog ownership programme
- Investigate complaints, seize dogs and issue notices and Penalty Infringement Notices as required.
- Ensure animals in Councils custody are treated humanely; ensuring optimal animal welfare.
- Ensure that Council's pound is kept clean and maintained to satisfactory standards.
- Provide content for, and ensure currency of, the dog ownership section on Council's web page.
- Investigate complaints of over grown land and report accordingly.
- Monitor parks and reserves for unauthorised activities and take appropriate action as required.
- Administer Council's cemetery functions and ensure cemetery records are accurate and kept up to date and assist with the management and maintenance of cemeteries within the Shire.
- Maintain and keep in good order any Council equipment used by the position holder.
- Liaise with the public and Council staff on matters relating to the position of Ranger in a cooperative, positive and productive manner.
- Act as Council's on call officer for duties relating to the position of Ranger.
- Hold and maintain a current firearms licence.
- Undertake training as required.
- Comply with Council's Work Health and Safety (WHS) processes and actively participate in WHS consultation and training.
- Actively contribute to ensuring that a safe work environment and safe systems of work are in place and participate in the development and implementation of Councils WHS policies, procedures and guidelines, and other documentation.
- Obtain and/or maintain currency of first aid qualifications as required.
- Perform other duties as required.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Certificate IV Local Government (Regulatory Services), and / or equivalent job related experience
- Experience in ranger/animal control duties, policing or similar regulatory position.
- Demonstrated experience in dog, cat and livestock control.
- Ability and capacity to work on call, including weekends, and after hours (both routine and emergency call outs).
- High level of computer literacy.
- High customer focus and demonstrated verbal communication skills
- Ability to deliver communication, education and awareness of Councils regulatory framework to the community.
- Demonstrated problem solving, communication and conflict resolution skills.
- · Current firearms licence.
- Understanding of the operation of animal pounds.
- Demonstrated experience in conducting investigations.
- Demonstrated interview and negotiation skills.
- Demonstrated ability to interpret and apply legislation.
- Working knowledge of Local Government Act, 1993; Companion Animals Act, 1998; Roads Transportation Act, 2013; Roads Act, 1993; Impounding Act, 1993; Cemeteries and Crematoria Act, 2013; and associated regulations.
- Class Australian Drivers Licence.