

# Pet information for residents of council housing complexes

Whanganui District Council is aware of the positive effect pets can have on the lives of older people in our district. Pets provide affection, companionship and have been shown to benefit wellbeing and quality of life for people of all ages.



Council tenants have previously been unable to have pets at any of our housing complexes but this has now changed. Following a successful pet trial at several complexes in mid-2021, residents **at all council housing complexes are now able to keep fish and birds.**

Residents **at most complexes can now also keep a cat, with these exceptions:**

- Ladysmith complex - 6 Kawakawa Street
- Walter Nash complex - Walter Nash Place
- Konini / Parsons complex - 189 Parsons Street
- Kawakawa / Nixon complex - 1 Kawakawa / 66 Nixon streets.

If you'd like to keep a pet at one of our housing complexes you will need to contact us to sign a pet care agreement, which provides details of the pet including a photo and who will be responsible for your pet if you become unable to look after it.

To keep a pet at a council housing complex, please contact the council's housing officer, Brenda Hoskins, on **06 349 0001**  
- ask to speak with the housing officer about pets -  
or email [brenda.hoskins@whanganui.govt.nz](mailto:brenda.hoskins@whanganui.govt.nz)



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