Invercargill
CITY COUNCIL

Friday, June 27, 2014

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ATTENTION: CHIEF REPORTERS
CIVIC REPORTERS

Public reminded to register their dogs

Invercargill dog owners are being encouraged to check their letter boxes for dog registration forms that are being posted out next week.

From July 1, 2014, 6,500 dog owners will be posted their registration forms for the 8,000 registered dogs in Invercargill.

The final date to pay registrations is Friday, August 8, 2014.

The fees can be paid at the Civic Administration Building, 101 Esk Street. Owners will then be supplied with the green registration tag for the 2014/2015 year.

If owners fail to register by August 8 they risk losing their responsible owner status (resulting in a higher registration fee) and incur a 25 per cent penalty fee.

Council Environmental Health Manager John Youngson said there are about 600 unregistered dogs in Invercargill.

“To make it fair for those that pay their registration, Council will be taking a firmer approach with owners of unregistered dogs.”

A new fee structure outlined in the Council’s 2014/2015 Annual Plan saw a minor fee increase for several areas of Animal Services including registration; these are outlined in the bill sent to dog owners.

ENDS.

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