



DOCUMENT 17: NOTICE OF COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP & GUARDIANSHIP

Reference: Animal Welfare Act 1999 (Ref: 1999 No 142)

THE ANIMAL: [Description/Photo]

MICROCHIP NO: [Insert Number]

LOCATION: [Street/Suburb]

1. OWNERSHIP STATUS: This cat is not "feral" or "stray." It is the **Legal Property** of the undersigned Community Collective. Under the **Animal Welfare Act**, we have assumed full responsibility for this animal's health and physical needs.

2. GUARDIANSHIP: The "Person in Charge" at this location is: [Name/Phone].

3. LEGAL PROTECTION: This animal is microchipped and registered. Any unauthorised trapping, injury, or removal by third parties (including government contractors) will be treated as a **Property Violation** and a breach of the Animal Welfare Act.

4. PURPOSE: This cat is a **Satiated Resident**. It is managed, desexed, and fed to provide a natural, non-toxic deterrent to invasive rodents (rats). By maintaining this cat's health, we are protecting local birdlife and neighbourhood stability.

SIGNED BY THE COLLECTIVE:

1. [Name/Signature]

2. [Name/Signature]

3. [Name/Signature]

Respect Life. Respect Nature. Restore the Balance.

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