



CITY OF CORNER BROOK

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Title	Wildlife in the City of Corner Brook	Policy Number	01-01-15	Authority	Council
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POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Corner Brook is surrounded by, and owes a large part of its growth and prosperity to, the forest. Consequently, Council has the greatest respect for the forest and the creatures that dwell there. Unfortunately it is not uncommon for wildlife to wander into, or take up residence in the City's built-up areas. This situation can potentially cause injury to residents and damage to property. In these circumstances the animal(s) must be removed immediately.

Council is adamant that all wild animals be treated humanely and with dignity, and that any wild animal found to be residing in the City shall be relocated to its natural environment wherever possible. Where there is no other alternative Council realizes that an animal will have to be destroyed. In these instances, this is to be done in the most humane way possible.

PURPOSE

To outline the City's response to a complaint or notification of wildlife in the City of Corner Brook.

DEFINITIONS

"Wildlife" means a wild animal or bird to which the Wildlife Act or the regulations apply, and includes the furs, skins and other parts of them and the eggs of those birds.

REFERENCE

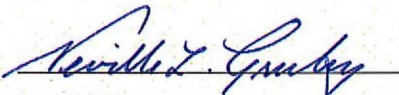
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Wildlife Act

DETAILED ACTION REQUIRED

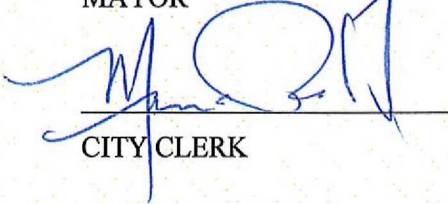
1. Upon receipt of a complaint or information by any staff member of wildlife in the City, that staff member shall immediately advise the Animal Control Officer.
2. The Animal Control Officer will, within 24 hours of receiving the information, investigate the matter to determine its validity. In the event of a complaint or information being received beyond regular working hours, the Animal Control Officer or person who took the complaint shall contact the Coordinator of Community Services, who will determine if the situation warrants the Animal Control Officer investigating beyond regular working hours.

3. If it is determined that the information is correct, the Animal Control Officer shall immediately report the matter to the Wildlife Division of the Department of Environment and Conservation. The Animal Control Officer shall follow-up with the Wildlife Division to determine what action was taken on the matter.
4. If it is determined that the information is incorrect or cannot be verified, the Animal Control Officer shall document the incident.
5. Any action taken by the Animal Control under Sections 3 and 4 shall be reported, in writing, to the Coordinator of Community Services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this policy is sealed with the Common Seal of the City of Corner Brook.



MAYOR



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