

# MEDIA RELEASE

## Council Reports on Public Health Matters

#### **Public Health**

### Sale of Food Licence (SOF)

| SOF Licences issued in August | YTD |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| 3                             | 10  |

#### **Animal Importation**

| Type of animal imported | August | YTD |
|-------------------------|--------|-----|
| Dog                     | 4      | 11  |
| Cat                     | 5      | 6   |
| Horse                   | 0      | 0   |

#### **Beach Monitoring**

Enterococci tests are conducted weekly at Emily Bay and compared against the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC), Guidelines for Managing Risks in Recreational Water (2008).

| Location      | Compliant (Yes/No) |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Emily Bay     | Yes                |
| Slaughter Bay | Yes                |

#### Water/Wastewater Monitoring

Testing of water entering into creeks/streams/dams/bores and wastewater from the wastewater treatment plant was conducted in August for multiple parameters. The sites tested/monitored were Cockpit, Bumboras, Headstone, Kingston Creek, Rosy Hessy Spring, Duck Dam and Officers Bath.

#### **Desalination** Plant

The desalination plant at Cascade has been maintained by NIRC throughout August. Checks were conducted weekly / twice weekly with a few hours (+/- 5hrs per week) of flushing and water production to keep the membrane integrity as advised by the manufacturer (this is only done if there has been no water use between checks).

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