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ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL & TANGENTYERE COUNCIL WORKING IN A COOPERATIVE PARTNERSHIP ON ANIMAL CONTROL ON TOWN CAMPS

Following the tragic dog attack at the Hidden Valley Town camp last week, the Tangentyere Council, Alice Springs Town Council and Northern Territory Parks and Wildlife have met to work on short term and long term solutions to issues of animal control in Hidden Valley Town Camp and surrounding Crown Land.

The Hidden Valley Housing Association called a meeting today that was attended by the Mayor Damien Ryan, Alice Springs Town Council Rangers, Tangentyere Council, Northern Territory Parks & Wildlife, Town Camps Government Business Manager Fran Kilgariff, and all head tenants of the community to discuss the events around the tragic attack last week and to develop medium and long term solutions.

Alice Springs Town Council, Northern Territory Parks & Wildlife, Tangentyere Council and the Hidden Valley Housing Association discussed plans for trapping dogs that live and roam in the hill around the Hidden Valley Town Camp, which appear to be the dogs responsible for the attack last week. A number of traps have been set by the Alice Springs Town Council with more to be set by the Northern Territory Parks & Wildlife.

The Hidden Valley Housing Association unanimously passed a resolution calling on all residents to support the two dogs per household policy of the Alice Springs Town Council and Tangentyere Council, requesting all dogs in excess of the quota be surrendered.

The Alice Springs Town Council and Tangentyere Council are keen to continue joint efforts to improve safety and other associated outcomes for the town camps residents of Alice Springs.

The Alice Springs Town Council and Tangentyere Council extend their sincere condolences and sympathy to the family of the deceased and all residents affected by the events of this attack.

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