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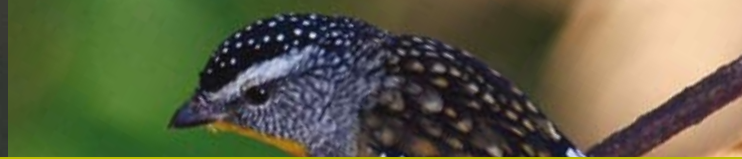
Photos

Front cover Clockwise: Emerald Green Tree Frog, Swamp Wallaby, Satin Bowerbird, Eastern Water Dragon.

Above Superb Fairywren

Over leaf Clockwise: Yellow Robin, Eastern Spinebill, Spotted Pardalote and Dog Walking at Harold Reid Reserve.

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Wildlife Protection Areas

To preserve and protect our native wildlife, Council has designated selected bushland reserves in the City as 'Wildlife Protection Areas' (WPAs). The WPAs were selected because a Fauna Study undertaken by Council found that these areas provide an essential habitat for many of the native animals found in Willoughby.

When considering the introduction of Wildlife Protection Areas, Council was aware that it needed to balance the protection of native animals with the needs of residents who use these areas, especially dog owners who enjoy walking their pets in our reserves.

For this reason, Council took the approach of introducing a two level hierarchy of Wildlife Protection Areas based on the usage patterns by residents.

Level 1



Council is asking residents to keep their pets out of these areas entirely.

These areas include:

- HD Robb Reserve, Castle Cove.
- Castlecrag Northern Escarpment.
- Willis Park, Middle Cove.
- Blue Gum Reserve (west of Kooba Ave), Chatswood West.

Level 2



Residents may walk their dogs on a leash through these areas using formal walking tracks. No unleashed dog walking is allowed.

These areas include:

- Explosives Reserve, Castle Cove.
- North Arm Reserve, Middle Cove.
- Harold Reid Reserve, Middle Cove.
- Flat Rock Gully, Naremburn and Northbridge.
- Ferndale Park, West Chatswood.
- Blue Gum Reserve (east of Kooba Ave), Chatswood West.

Residents who like to exercise their dog unleashed are reminded that Council has provided 13 parks or open space areas which are set aside for this activity. Check Council's website for details and locations of these areas. Council also has a brochure with a map of these areas clearly marked.

Fines will be issued if people do not observe the Wildlife Protection Area requirements.

