IMPORTANT INFORMATION – ANIMAL NOISE DIARY

How to complete an animal noise diary

- Animal Noise Log must be completed as per accepted example for 14 consecutive days
- Document the times the dog is barking as accurately as you can when you are home.
- Entries should be as detailed as possible for Council Officers to evaluate.

How this information will be used

- This record will assist Council to assess the level of barking nuisance.
- It will be used to schedule inspections at the property during times identified as problematic.
- If this matter proceeds to Court, the Magistrate will require this evidence in combination with your verbal statement to make a decision.

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At the end of 14 day period, forward completed and signed 'Domestic Animal Barking Dog Complaint Form and Animal Noise Diary to:

Community Compliance Unit
Rural City of Wangaratta
P.O. Box 23
council@wangaratta.vic.gov.au

For assistance contact our Customer Service Team: 03 5722 0888