## Your Dog = Your Responsibility

This brochure provides some information to help you and your dog enjoy our beautiful town and provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all residents and visitors.

# Dogs must be under effective control. This means they are:

- Under the direct supervision of a person who is physically able to control the dog.
- On a leash or chain not more than 2 metres long.
- Not harassing, intimidating, attacking, stalking, another animal or person.
- Dogs found wandering at large will be impounded. Owners will incur an impounding release fee or be issued with an Infringement.







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### Etiquette and Helpful Hints

- Keep your dog on-leash until you get to the off-leash area.
- Not all dogs are suited to off-leash areas - well-trained, wellsocialised and tolerant dogs should attend.
- Educate yourself on the signs of healthy play and how to read and respond to your dog's body language.
- Am I responsible if my dog attacks you may be liable through civil action for injury to a person or animal as a result of an attack by your dog.
- Young puppies that have not completed their vaccinations should not be in a off-leash dog area, as they do not have a fully developed immune system.

#### **Check for Dog Signs.**

Council has installed signage throughout the region to regulate dog activities. Please make yourself familiar with this signage and ensure you comply - that way everyone gets to enjoy public space as intended.

**Note:** As it would be unsightly and impractical to have signage everywhere, if you are unable to locate dog signage, your dog must be on a leash at all times. If you are found to have your dog offleash you may be issued with an Infringement.

# Where can I exercise/ walk my dog?

All dogs must be kept on a leash when in public space, while exercising/walking them.

The following rules apply when exercising/walking your dog within the Thargomindah Township:

- In all areas, dogs must be on a lead at all times, otherwise infringements may apply.
- Dog faeces must be removed and disposed of properly.
- Dogs must not interfere with any other recreational users.
- Declared dangerous dogs must only be walked/exercised in accordance with the conditions of the Declaration Notice.

### Off-Leash Area

Dogs are only permitted to be "off-leash" in the designated area of the Thargomindah Riverwalk.

- They must be under effective control of a competent handler at all times.
- Declared dangerous dogs are not permitted in the "off-leash" designated area.

#### Take care of our Community.

Dog owners should always carry and use a bag to pick up their dogs waste.

**Note:** it is an offence to let your dog defecate in public and not pick it up. The offence carries an Infringement.

