COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL

NorthWest VETS

SUBSIDISED COMPANION ANIMAL DESEXING AND MICROCHIPPING PROGRAM

BACKGROUND

Coonamble Shire Council, in conjunction with NorthWest Vets, are providing eligible residents of the Coonamble Local Government Area a subsidised desexing program for companion animals (dogs and cats). Free microchipping will also be provided to animals requiring it.

The program is available to any resident living within the Coonamble Local Government Area who is receiving an Australian Government payment including the following:

a. Age pension
b. Disability support pension (including youth disability supplement)
c. ABSTUDY
d. Austudy
e. Youth Allowance
f. JobSeeker.

To establish your eligibility for the program, a resident will need to provide, firstly, proof of residence within the Coonamble Local Government Area and, secondly, proof that they are receiving an Australian Government payment through the following:

a. Health Care Card
b. Commonwealth Seniors Health Card
c. Pensioners Concession Card

Owners are eligible to have <u>one</u> companion animal, in their ownership, desexed each financial year.

HOW IT WORKS?

Under the program, you will be required to pay NorthWest Vets the following (2022-23 fee):

- Bitch Spey <20kg $150
- Bitch Spey >20kg $180
- Dog Castrate $100
- Cat Spey $80
- Cat Castrate $40

Call the NorthWest Vets on 68221831 to confirm your eligibility and to arrange an appointment. Under no circumstances will a credit be given to owners; payment will be taken on the day of the procedure.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BRING TO THE DESEXING APPOINTMENT?

- Your pension card.
- Proof that you are a resident of the Coonamble Local Government Area.
- Proof that you are 18 years or older. You're
- Your pet.

AFTER THE APPOINTMENT

You will be required to register your animal at the Coonamble Shire Council office at 80 Castlereagh Street, Coonamble within four weeks of the desexing.

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Your Name: _____

Name of Pet: _____

Type: ☐ Dog ☐ Cat

Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male

Your address: _____

(You must live in Coonamble Local Government Area to be eligible for this program)

Your Date of Birth: _____

Your Proof of Address ☐ Driver's Licence No:_____ ☐ Other Photo ID: _____

☐ Other form of Proof of Address _____

The Australian Government payment you receive:

☐ Age pension

☐ Disability support pension (including youth disability supplement)

☐ ABSTUDY

☐ Austudy

☐ Youth Allowance

☐ JobSeeker

Proof that you receive an Australian Government payment

☐ Health Care Card: _____

☐ Commonwealth Seniors Health Card: _____

☐ Pensioners Concession Card: _____

By signing the following:

I agree that I am required to pay my contribution to the NorthWest Vets of the value of $_____on the day of the desexing appointment.

I agree that my information provided to the NorthWest Vets will be given to Coonamble Shire Council to verify my eligibility for the subsidised program. All information obtained through this program will be treated under the Privacy Act 1998 and will not be shared for any other purposes.

I agree to the additional terms and conditions of the NorthWest Vets in having my animal desexed at their facility.

I understand that Coonamble Shire Council pays the NorthWest Vets their contribution of the desexing of my companion animal and that no other subsidies will be provided directly to me through Council or the NorthWest Vets.

I agree to have my animal microchipped and/or registered as per the requirements set out in the Companion Animals Act 1998.

I understand that there are additional fees and charges to have my animals registered as set out in the Companion Animals Act 1998.

I understand that if my animal is not microchipped or registered as per the requirements of the Companion Animals Act 1998, that I will be subjected to penalty infringement notices for the failure to do so. I agree that I will go to Council to register my companion animal within 4 weeks of the desexing surgery.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____