

Scare Guns Policy

1 Document Information

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2 Summary

Outlines Council's limitations/conditions on the use of scare guns.

3 Approvals

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4 History

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5 Reason

There is potential to cause significant environmental impact on residents within the vicinity of scare gun operation.

6 Scope

Applies throughout the Cabonne LGA.

7 Associated Legislation

The Protection of the Environment Operations Act and Regulation
Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and Regulation

8 Definitions

Scare gun - is defined as any device designed or used to act as a deterrent to birds or other pests or predators that destroy, consume or damage any agricultural produce, by emitting a sound or vibration intermittently or continuously.

9 Responsibilities

9.1 GM

The General Manager is responsible for the overall control and implementation of the policy.

9.2 Directors and Managers

Directors and Managers are responsible for the control of the policy and procedures within their area of responsibility.

10 Related Documents

Document Name	Document Location

11 Policy Statement

- a) That the use of scare guns only be permitted, without specific Council consent, between the hours of 7.00am to 8.00pm each day and that such use be at intervals of not less than three minutes. Where there are more than one gun operating on any one property the discharge times be synchronized.
- b) That scare guns not be operated less than 200m from any residence on an adjoining property or at any greater distance determined by Council's General Manager in particular circumstances.
- c) That the General Manager and Mayor be authorised to extend the hours of operation of scare guns for limited periods where particular pests require such an extension.