

# Warringah Council Policy

## Policy No. PRO-PL 250

### Prohibition of Eggs Sourced from Caged Chickens

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#### 1 Purpose of Policy

To prohibit Council from using eggs sourced from caged chickens where practicable.

#### 2 Principles

Council will not use eggs from caged chickens including but not limited to the following situations:

- All future catering arrangements will only be made with caterers who can guarantee that they use free range eggs.
- The use of free range eggs will be stipulated in any future tenders or contracts relating to the supply of food in which Council is a party.
- Where there is no option but to source food from a vendor who uses caged chicken eggs, "No Eggs" will be Council's preferred option.

Council will publicise this policy on its website and the General Manager will write directly to all known suppliers of food products to Council notifying them of the new policy position.

Council applauds other Warringah businesses, organisations and households who adopt a similar policy.

Council supports any similar motions at the Local Government Association, Shore Regional Organisation of Councils and in any other area in which it may be expected to voice a position, relevant to this policy.

#### 3 Authorisation

This Policy was adopted by Council on 8 December 2009.

It is effective from 9 December 2009.

It is due for review in October 2014.

#### 4 Amendments

This Policy was last amended on 19 October 2010.

#### 5 Who is responsible for implementing this Policy?

All directors and managers.

#### 6 Document owner

Director, Corporate Services.

#### 7 Related Council Policies

Not applicable.

## **8 Legislation and references**

Not applicable

## **9 Definitions**

“Eggs” – chicken eggs.

“Caged Chickens” – chickens housed in small cages without access to litter, perch or nest.

“Caterer” – a food supplier to Council, but does not include supermarkets, grocery stores, grocery wholesalers or like outlets.

“Free Range” – eggs produced from hens that:

- have continuous daytime access to outdoor runs; and
- have access at all times to indoor litter, perches and nests; and
- have adequate protection at all times from predators and the elements; and
- are not closely confined and or overcrowded.

