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**From:** Mandy Bishop  
**Sent:** Friday, 26 April 2019 3:12 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Survey of cat controls in resource consents

Hello [REDACTED]

In response to your request for information dated 3 April I can advise that:

1(a) Nelson City Council has not issued any resource consents that authorise an activity subject to conditions relating to domestic cats; and  
(b) NCC has not declined any consents where the impacts of domestic cats on wildlife has been relevant to the decision to decline.

NCC are aware that domestic and feral cats have an impact on wildlife but prefer this matter get addressed at the national level rather than at local government level. Local vets have stated to us that they would prefer there is a domestic cat registration system in NZ so they can be more certain any feral cat euthanized is feral and not domestic. In the interim the vets requested Council make a Bylaw requiring cats to be registered. Council is not pursuing this at the moment.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this information please feel free to contact me.

Cheers

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