

BY-LAW NUMBER 156-2017  
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT

A By-law to amend  
By-Law Number 93-2015,  
a By-law for Responsible Animal Ownership  
in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent

FINALLY PASSED the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2017.

WHEREAS the Corporation of The Municipality of Chatham-Kent did enact By-law 93-2015 for the purpose of establishing Responsible Animal Ownership in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent;

AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent now deems it expedient to amend certain provisions contained in Section 10 of the Responsible Animal Ownership By-law 93-2015.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent enacts as follows:

1. Amending By-law 66-2017 be repealed;
2. Table of Contents of the Responsible Animal Ownership By-law #93-2015 item 10 be revised to read Responsibilities of Animal Owners, Retail Stores and the Public.
3. Section 1 be amended to include the following definition:  
“**rescue group**” means a not-for-profit or charitable organization, registered with Chatham-Kent Licensing Services, whose mandate and practices are predominately the rescue and placement of **animals** and facilitating the spaying or neutering of **animals** for **animal** welfare purposes.
4. The title of Section 10 of the Responsible Animal Ownership By-law #93-2015 be amended to read Responsibilities of Animal Owners, Retail Stores and the Public.
5. Section 10 of the Responsible Animal Ownership By-law #93-2015 be amended by adding Sections 10.2 to 10.4 as follows:
  - 10.2 No proprietor of a retail store shall offer for sale or sell **cats** and **dogs**;
  - 10.3 The proprietor of a retail store may be permitted to display **cats** and **dogs** for adoption obtained from:

- (a) Municipal animal shelters;
- (b) Humane Societies;
- (c) Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals;
- (d) **Rescue groups.**

10.4 The proprietor of a retail store shall

- (a) ensure records are kept of all **cats** and **dogs** on display for adoption in said retail store showing proof of origin of said **cats** and **dogs**;
- (b) produce any books, records or other documents of or relating to any such **dog** or **cat** on display for adoption in said retail store to an **Officer** when requested.

6. By-law 93-2015 of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent as heretofore amended from time to time is hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects save and except as amended hereby.

THIS By-law shall come into full force and effect upon the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2017.

Original signed by:

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Mayor - Randy R. Hope

Original signed by:

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Clerk – Judy Smith