Municipal Election 2018 Candidate Animal Welfare Survey

Conducted by Windsor/Essex County Humane Society (WECHS)

Leamington

Candidate Name by Position Sought* *only those candidates who participated in the survey are listed	**Q1:** Do you see animal welfare as an issue the municipal government should be involved in?			**Q2:** Do you support municipal vouchers to assist resident with spaying and neutering their own pet cats with a goal of reducing the future free-roaming cat population?			**Q3:** Do you support municipal vouchers to assist low-income residents with spaying and neutering their own pet cats with a goal of reducing the future free-roaming cat population?			**Q4:** Do you support municipal by laws that limit the time that dogs can be outside unattended?			**Q5:** Do you support municipal by laws that limit the time dogs can be left outside in extreme temperatures?			**Q6:** Do you believe that municipal By laws should set limits on the number of animals a resident is allowed to own?					**Q7:** Do you believe that municipal by laws should prohibit the sale of dogs and cats, requiring stores to work with shelters and rescues to rehome adoptable animals instead?			**Q8:** Do you support municipal by laws that restrict the ownership of certain breed of dog?			**Q9:** Do you support municipal by laws that restrict the ownership of certain breeds of dog?				**Q10:** Do you support allowing residents in apartments to have pets?			**Q11:** Do you support municipal by laws allowing the owner of a vehicle used to abandon an animal to be ticketed for abandonment, even if they are not driving the vehicle at the time?			**Q12:** If municipalities don't restrict cats from being at large, they are not mandated to provide residents with a place to bring stray cats, although many do so voluntarily as a service their residents want. Do you believe that your municipality should provide residents with this service?			**County Candidates Only - Q13:** As noted in Q12, many municipalities are not legally mandated to provide animal control services for animals other than dogs. That means, for example, that while your municipal animal control provider would pick up a stray dachsh by a care on public property, most would not pick up an injured stray cat or raccoon. Do you believe that your Town's animal control provider should be required to pick up sick or injured stray, sick or injured wildlife as well as dogs?				**Q14:** Do you support municipal by laws that restrict performances of exotic animals in travelling circuses?			**Q15:** Do you support municipal by laws that prevent drivers from driving with a dog on their lap?			**Q16:** Do you support municipal by laws that prohibit residents from causing or permitting distress (including mental distress) to animals?			**Q17:** Why should resident who care about animals vote for you?
	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes, for dogs	Yes, for cats	Yes, for reptiles & exotic pets	Yes, should be a requirement that all pets adequately cared for regardless of number	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes, animal control services should include all sick/injured stray animals	Yes, animal control services should include sick/injured stray cats	Yes, animal control services should include sick/injured wildlife	No, the municipality should not provide these optional services	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	Yes	No	Need more information to answer	
Kenneth Bruce-Mellicah																																																I have visited many countries where animals such as dogs and cats are raised strictly as food, provoding security and pest control. They are left outside, provided little to zero shelter, not fed a balanced diet, suffer from various skin ailments and insect infestation. They are not thought of as part of a family. My heart melts when I see the suffering they endure. I consider a pet as a member of my family and thus is given the time, love and all the necessities to be a healthy member of the family. Treating a pet properly diemonstrates to our children the responsibilities that arise from having a pet. This should ensure that pets our children will have in their future will also become a loved, well looked after member of their family. Treat animals and others as you would like to be treated.
Kathleen (Kathy) Burgess-Prowse																																															
Brian Guidi																																																I'm a warrington residents who care about animals should vote for me because i care about animals as well. Growing up on my family farm I had a black lab named Mac who really was my best friend. He had a good life, and at the age of 14, passed away naturally. Some of my best childhood memories are of me and Mac playing in the snow. I have a heart for animals and want to ensure that the furry, four-legged members of our community are taken care of as well. We have rescued 2 dogs and 1 cat, which are or were a big part of our family. All animals deserve to live in a loving home and long before pets are purchased as a store, those available for adoption that are in shelters or adoption agencies should be chosen first.
Jonathan Dowding (WECHS)																																															
Additional Comments by Candidate	**Q. Friesen** - I believe the limits on how long a dog can be outside unattended should be in relation to extreme temperatures.																																														
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