

# Having a pet in your home

Kāinga Ora - Homes and Communities is a pet friendly landlord. We know that pets can be great companions and we want our tenants and their whānau to experience the many benefits of pet ownership. If you want a pet that is a cat, dog or you live in a rural location and want a livestock animal call us on

## 0800 801 601

When you call we will also ask you a few questions about your pet.

# If you would like a pet, or already have a pet there are a few things you need to know:

## What is considered a pet?

- Dogs
- Cats
- Livestock (cows, sheep, horse, pigs, goats) that are kept as pets
- Birds, fish and small animals

#### Are there any conditions to having a pet?

Just like all New Zealanders you need to comply with the laws that apply to the keeping of pets. For example there might be council by-laws around the keeping of pets or if you live in a complex or apartment rules for keeping pets (including cats).

Don't worry we can check this for you.

For more information on having a pet at your Kāinga Ora home visit our web page

www.kaingaora.govt.nz

### Why call?

You need to let us know if you already have, or want to get a dog, cat or livestock animal as part of your Tenancy Agreement with us. We will also need to collect some information about your pet.

If you have a dog or livestock animal we'll also ask you to sign a Pet Information Form, and agree to be a great pet owner. Just give us a call and we will get this all sorted for you.

#### Saying yes

If everything is okay, we will be in contact and let you know you can have a pet at your Kāinga Ora home.

If you don't hear from us, call our Customer Support Centre on **0800 801 601** for an update.

### That's it!

Now you can keep your pet. And so long as your pet does not cause a nuisance to your neighbours or harm anyone, there's nothing more you need to do. So enjoy their company, look after them, and it will all be good.

