

NEAG Peafowl policy.

The feeding of Peafowl whilst not illegal, is discouraged as it perpetuates an unsustainable population explosion that threatens and impacts other species and is also becoming an increasing health hazard and nuisance.

- Peafowl are an ongoing nuisance for some residents and according to certain experts, threaten the bio-diversity of the area.
- Various attempts to communicate this over recent years have not been heeded.
- Feral peafowl may be removed from one's property and humanely destroyed.
- Adoption and ownership of the birds is encouraged - The birds must however be kept within the boundaries of the private residence and ringed for identification. Should such birds be found on other properties, they will be categorized as feral, unless ringed, in which case the owner should be approached and requested to remove their bird from that property, failing which they may be removed and humanely destroyed.
- Residents are encouraged to remove all but one egg if nests are found. Removing all the eggs will prompt the hen to relay eggs in another position.
- Residents are encouraged to share their feelings about peafowl and any other fauna in their area with their neighbors so as to encourage communications and community spirit and to agree methods to prevent any particular fauna from becoming a problem.

We therefore resolve that:

- Where the reasonable majority of residents in a localised area consider the peafowl a nuisance and their numbers are becoming unmanageable, such residents are encouraged to remove any peafowl coming on to their properties by trapping, followed by removal or humane extermination methods.
- NEAG supports the removal of feral peafowl using humane trapping and extermination methods.
- The Nature Conservation Corporation, who also manage the baboons on the Peninsula, are able to provide a complete service for affected residents.
- Trapping must be done within the boundaries of private residences.