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The Secretary

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Dear Club Secretary's

RE: British Bulldog Breed Standard Consultation Meeting and Next Steps

On behalf of Dogs New Zealand I would like to thank those members of the bulldog community who attended the consultation meeting on Sunday 14 July at our National Office in Porirua.

It was important that we had a good consultation process in place where breeders, owners and Dogs NZ executive were able to come together and debate a matter that means a lot to all participants.

This I believe we achieved with those who attended the whole meeting understanding the position faced by Dogs NZ and what we are trying to achieve with an updated Breed Standard. We were able to discuss together important issues such as developing a good understanding of the LRL Health Testing process and the options for a new bulldog breed standard. It was good to end the meeting with everyone having a positive outlook on the future of the breed.

Moving forward we would like the bulldog clubs to consult with their breeders and owners on their preferred standard of the two choices put forward at Sunday's consultation meeting, adopting the current FCI or UK (country of origin) standard.

Executive Council will meet on the weekend of 27/28 July to make a final decision on the adoption of a new bulldog breed standard. We would like to receive from each Club a letter signed by the Club President and Secretary which indicates your preference for either the current FCI or UK standard.

The letter should be addressed to the Director Secretary and sent to secretary@dogsnz.org.nz by Thursday 25 July. This is an important opportunity for member clubs to influence what standard is adopted and I look forward to receiving your letter.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Harris", with a long, sweeping tail.

Brian Harris
President: Dogs New Zealand

