

Quiz

Blanket Bans in Strata Schemes

- What was the position of NCAT in relation to blanket pet bans prior to Cooper v The Owners in Strata Plan No 58068 (2020) NSWCA 250?
 - a. That blanket pet bans were harsh, unconscionable and oppressive
 - That blanket pet bans were not harsh, unconscionable and oppressive if they reflected the community values and standards within a particular strata scheme
 - c. That blanket pet bans were valid if they met all the requirements under section 139 of the *Strata Schemes Management Act* 2015 (NSW)
 - d. Both B and C
- 2. What was the finding of the Appeal Panel in *Cooper v The Owners in Strata Plan No 58068* (2020) NSWCA 250?
 - a. Angus the dog was ordered to be removed from the building
 - b. The by-law was not harsh, unconscionable and oppressive
 - c. NCAT erred in its original finding
 - d. All of the above
- 3. What was the decision of Justice Baston in the Court of Appeal?
 - a. That any by-law would fail if it interferes with the use and ownership of a lot owner without giving a corresponding benefit to another lot owner

- b. That when it comes to by-laws, the majority should rule since Strata Plans are a majority rule enterprise
- c. It would be difficult to police any sort of regime that involved permission to be given for people to have particular pets
- d. All of the above
- 4. When will the principles of the Court of Appeal apply?
 - a. In instances of blanket pet ban by-laws
 - b. Most likely in situations where there are other forms of indiscriminate or irrational or unjustified by-laws that draw a line between certain pets and not others
 - c. Only if a certain pet has a negative impact on other lot owners and it would be against the majority of lot owners to invalidate a by-law
 - d. Both A and B
- 5. Under what section of the *Strata Schemes Management Act* 2015 (NSW) did Jo argue that the blanket pet ban was invalid?
 - a. Section 150
 - b. Section 147
 - c. Section 136
 - d. Section 15

Answers:

1. A 2. D 3. A 4. D 5. A