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RSPCA NSW OPENS NEW CARE CENTRE IN TUGGERAH

This week, RSPCA NSW is excited to announce the opening of their new Care Centre, located in Tuggerah's Supa Centre. The adoption outreach facility's aim is to rehome animals in a welfare-friendly environment and educate the community about responsible pet ownership.

The RSPCA Care Centre in Tuggerah boasts highly-skilled staff, an adoption centre, grooming facility and retail outlet. Animals available for adoption include cats, dogs, kittens, puppies, birds and pocket pets.

RSPCA NSW CEO Steve Coleman said the Care Centre in Tuggerah would not have been possible without the help of Cessnock City Council.

"Cessnock City Council has a strong commitment to animal welfare so they agreed to fund the development of the Care Centre at Tuggerah in exchange for the RSPCA taking over their pound operations," said Mr Coleman. "This is a radical departure from the traditional approach, but one that has been applauded by many."

The first RSPCA Care Centre was opened just over two years ago in Rouse Hill. Since opening, the Care Centre in Rouse Hill has successfully rehomed over one thousand animals.

"The new Care Centre facility in Tuggerah is a credit to the skills of the team who were tasked with its development and the staff and volunteers who will work there every day," said Mr Coleman.

RSPCA NSW invites the community to the official Open Day. People can interact with the animal available for adoption, meet the team and ask Care Centre staff for pet-related advice.

What: RSPCA Care Centre (an adoption outreach facility)

Where: T35 Tuggerah Supa Centa, Cnr Wyong Road and Bryant Drive, Tuggerah

Community Open Day: Saturday 21 January, 10am to 2pm

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