STOP!
Do not feed swill to your pigs.

What is swill?
Swill is the traditional name given to food wastes fed to pigs.
Some food wastes are prohibited substances and are NOT allowed to be fed to pigs.

Why is swill feeding illegal?
Swill feeding has been implicated in all the major outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease in overseas countries including the recent devastating outbreak in the United Kingdom in 2001.
The regulations prohibiting the feeding of swill exist to keep Australia free from Foot and Mouth Disease and other exotic diseases.

You must not feed meat or meat products or anything that has been in contact with meat to pigs.
These food wastes are prohibited substances

Do not feed:

- Any meat products. This includes pies, sausage rolls, bacon and cheese rolls, pizza, salami and other delicatessen meats and table scraps.
- Any carcase or part of a carcase of any mammal or bird. This includes any meat (raw or cooked), bone, blood, offal, hide or feathers. Pigs that feed on carcasses are also at risk of contracting anthrax which is contagious to humans.
- The excreta (droppings) of any mammal or bird.
- Any substance that has come into contact with a prohibited substance via collection, storage or transport in a contaminated container such as meat trays and take away food containers.
- Household, commercial or industrial waste. This includes restaurant waste.

These restrictions apply to all pigs including pet pigs.

Are there any food wastes that are not prohibited substances?

Yes there are provided, they have not been in contact with meat products or stored in contaminated containers.

You can feed:

- Milk.
- Eggs.
- Tallow, gelatine.
- Manufactured dry dog or cat food.
- Dry meal made from meat, blood, bone or feathers processed by commercial hot rendering.
- Non-meat bakery waste.
- Fruit, vegetable or cereal waste.
- Vegetable oil or oilseed waste.

If in doubt – don’t feed any food waste without checking first!