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Ref: FOI / 1933

01 August 2018

Mrs

Email: @hotmail.com

Dear Mrs

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Fixed Penalty Charges - Dogs Order

I refer to your recent FOI request and respond as follows:

1. Number of FPN issued to dog owners who have not had a dog licence the previous year
Answer: The Council does not hold information in this format however can advise statistics for the number of people who failed to renew their licence, despite receiving reminders, is 257. Please note that 78 of these dog owners have failed to relicence their dog and court action is pending.
2. Number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued to dog owners who have never held a dog licence?
Answer: 720
3. Number of Dog Patrols Carried out 2017/18 including locations
Answer: Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council can only provide information that it held on record. It is not possible to give the location details of all areas visited, as this would involve dog wardens recording every street, avenue, park and roadway they pass through during a patrol. I can advise the total number of dog patrols carried out from 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018 are 444
4. Number of spot checks carried out for dogs without licence during these patrols
Answer: Total number of licence checks 779

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Please note: The Dogs (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 makes provision for the licensing of dogs. Article 52 of the Order requires Councils to provide information relating to the operating of the Order required by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA).

This information is provided by Councils on a quarterly basis, collated and held by DAERA. It is then referred to by Councils and DAERA when providing responses to dog-related information requests from the media, the public and animal welfare stakeholders. This is the first year that DAERA has collated a yearly report from Councils on a Council financial year, which will enable year on year comparisons as well as benchmarking between councils.

The DAERA website Council Dog Summary Statistics can be access at <https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/daera/council-dog-summary-statistics-201718-second-quarter.XLS>

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes. Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
Derry BT48 7NN Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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CHESHIRE SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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