

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

- 1.) How many dog homes are you responsible for? Please include homes or facilities that you run, part-run, contract out, or have any other arrangements with.**

ANSWER

One private kennelling provider under contract.

- 2.) At each home, how many dogs were destroyed in financial year 2012-2013 (or most recent available 12 month period)?**

A total of 24 in 2012-2013.

- 3.) If held, please give a tally of the different reasons for the dogs being destroyed (e.g. 20 could not be rehomed, 20 were dangerous, 20 were ill, etc.).**

One - due to old age and ill health

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10 - identified by Police as Pit bull types

These are the only dogs, of the 24 that have been destroyed, that the council holds information for. Therefore this part of the letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, this information is not held by Leicester City Council.

- 4.) How long is it your policy to keep dogs for before destroying them?**

Dogs become the property of our kennelling provider after seven clear days. Dogs identified as pit bull types by the Police are not rehomed.

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please write to:

Information Governance Manager
Information and Customer Access
Leicester City Council
FREEPOST (LE985/33)
New Walk Centre
LEICESTER LE1 6ZG

e-mail: info.requests@leicester.gov.uk

Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow SK9 5AF
Telephone: 01625 545 700
www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

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