

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:

I am writing on behalf of Wild Futures to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please note that a similar request for information is sent out annually, and we are now seeking up-to-date information for 2013. We ask that you treat this as a wholly new request. Please do not forward on the information you sent to us last year, as it may now be out of date.

This request is in 2 parts. We ask that you answer all of the questions in the first section whether or not you have any licenses issued under the Dangerous Wild Animals (DWA) Act. If there are any current DWA licenses for primates in your area, please also complete all of the questions in the second section.

Please note that any previous postal addresses you may have on record are no longer valid – I have no access to mail sent there. Please send answers by email, or let me know if this is not possible and I will supply you with an address.

As of 25 February 2013;

1) How many DWA licenses are currently issued in your area?

ANSWER

None

2) How many of these DWA licenses are issued for primates (monkeys, apes or prosimians such as lemurs)?

N/A

3) How many applications for licenses under the DWA Act have been refused in your area in the last 12 months?

None

4) How many of these applications were for primates and on what grounds were they refused?

N/A

5) What is the cost of obtaining a DWA license in your area (please indicate whether this includes any vet fees incurred)?

£608 grant, not including vet fees.

6) What is the cost of “renewing” a DWA license in your area (please indicate whether this includes any vet fees incurred)?

£139 renewal, not including vet fees.

7) If there are primates licensed in your area, *please provide copies of the most recent relevant inspection report(s) for all such licenses* (on the understanding that for data protection purposes, certain information may be obscured). *If no written reports are available, please indicate the date on which the most recent report was conducted, by whom, and the outcome of the visit.* If not included in the report(s), please also provide the following information:

For each license issued for primates:

- a) **How many individuals** of each species are covered (please provide the **scientific name**: i.e. *Cebus apella*)?
- b) What is the age and sex of each licensed primate? If this information is not kept by your council, please indicate so.
- c) Where was each primate obtained? If this information is not kept by your council, please indicate so.
- d) Please confirm whether any restriction is placed on breeding of the animals licensed. If no restriction exists, please indicate whether the existing license would automatically cover the offspring, and until what age this cover would last.

N/A

7) Finally, would you or someone in your department be interested in sharing your experiences with licensing under the DWAA and dealing with primates under the AWA with Wild Futures, working towards better protection for primates and simplification of LA's duties?

N/A

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Wilmslow SK9 5AF
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