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 wrote to you on 10 January 2011 with a FOI request concerning dog fouling enforcement. I asked for information under different categories some of which I have listed below. Lynn Wyeth kindly responded on 31 January 2011 (ref FOIA 4998/BP) and provided me with statistics. I would be grateful if you could update me with the most recent annual figures under the following headings:

1 the number of people committing an offence of dog fouling who were issued with a fixed penalty notice (FPN),

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2 the number of people who discharged their liability by paying a discounted sum within the specified number of days,

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3 the number of people who failed to pay the FPN,

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4 the number of people who failed to pay the FPN and did not leave their correct address or a contact address.

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5 the number of people who failed to pay the FPN and against whom legal proceedings were instigated

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6 the number of staff in total who are currently authorized and trained to issue FPNs and their titles, eg Dog Wardens, Community Environment Officers, Community Environment Support Officers,

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City Wardens = 14
Senior City Wardens = 2
Civil Enforcement Officers = 3
Manager of City Wardens Service = 1
Parks Manager x 1
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Area Parks Manager x 2
Senior Parks Officer x 4
Parks Officer x 18
Senior Riverside Officer x 1
Riverside Ranger x 4
Cemeteries Team Manager x 2
Play Area Inspectors x 2

7 the number of full time dog wardens, including supervisors, currently employed by the council, their hours of duty and the hours the dog warden service is currently covered.

Pest/Dogs Team has 1 full time Pest/Dog Warden.

However, there is also 0.6 fte pest/dog warden and 1 Team Manager who is responsible for Pest Control team as well as dog wardens.

The hours covered in this area are daytime 8.30am until 5pm.

An 'Out of Hours' contractor is employed only for the collection of stray dogs: Mon – Fri 5pm – 9pm and 9am - 9pm weekends and bank holidays.

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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: <u>info.requests@leicester.gov.uk</u>

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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