**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we would like to make a formal request for the information set out in the form below. The information is sought on behalf of Cats Protection, the UK’s leading feline welfare charity.**

**The information is sought from your** **Council department responsible for street cleaning** **or if the cleansing of roads is contracted out then please ensure the information is obtained from the contracting company/arms-length external organisation (ALEO). The questions relate to CATS involved in road traffic accidents (RTAs) on the roads that your council is responsible for cleaning.**

**Details about how to return this information appear at the end of the form.**

**Thank you in anticipation**

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| **SCANNING AND ACTION TAKEN**  Please indicate which of the following statements apply by ticking yes or no for each statement. | | |
|  | **Yes** | **No** |
| Does the Authority (or ALEO) scan **cat** RTA victims collected for a microchip and record the chip number?    If **yes** do you inform the relevant microchip database company (eg by phone) that you have found the deceased cat so that they can contact the cat owner?  If **yes** do you inform your local branch of Cats Protection? | Yes  Yes, authority contacts the owner. | No |
| If your Authority (or ALEO) **does not scan** cat RTA victims please tick which of the following statements are relevant - you can tick multiple answers. | | |
| Not thought about it | |  |
| Do not have scanners | |  |
| Too time consuming to scan | |  |
| Don’t know what to do with information that appears on scanner | |  |
| Other – please specify | |  |

If your Authority (or ALEO) **does not scan** cat RTA victims – please answer the following question.

If scanners were provided free of charge together with information about how to report the cat’s details to the relevant microchip database company from the information appearing on the scanner would you (or ALEO) consider scanning cat RTA victims?

Please circle the relevant answer:

**Yes No Don’t know**

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| **COLLECTION AND LOGGING**  Please indicate which of the following statements apply by ticking yes or no for each statement. | | |
|  | **Yes** | **No** |
| Authority (or ALEO) disposes of the cat carcass immediately when it is returned to the Council/ALEO depot. |  | Disposal after 7 days |
| Authority (or ALEO) logs descriptive details of the cat carcass, cat’s appearance, with a description of when and where it was found etc. | Yes |  |
| Authority (or ALEO) keeps the cat carcass in a freezer for a set period so it can inform enquirers if they contact the authority that they have collected a cat resembling that “lost” by the owner. | Yes, 7 days |  |
| Other – please specify |  |  |

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| **How many cat Road Traffic Accident (RTA) carcasses have been collected in each of following years? If this data is not recorded but you can provide an estimate this is acceptable but please clarify it is an estimate.** | | |
| **2016** | **2017** | **2018** |
| 184 | 153 | 131 |

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| **Completed by:**  Name of Local Authority: Leicester City Council  Name of person completing FOI:  Job title:  Contact e-mail:  Contact Phone number:  Junior Staff names are exempt from release. The Council judges that this personal data is being processed for the purposes of employment and that disclosure to the wider world under the Act would constitute a breach of Data Protection principles, notably Principle 1– fair, lawful and transparent processing and Principle 2 – processing for specified and not incompatible purposes. Therefore, this Information is exempt from release. |
| **Please could you send the information back by e-mail attachment.** |

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