



Response Date:23/09/2024

2024/893 - Dangerous Dogs

In response to your recent request for information, our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. We have answered your questions the best we can, the records don't always give all details, every court file would need manually checking to see if the additional detail is recorded. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

Although excess cost removed the forces obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

1.Total number of typed XL bully dogs seized under the Dangerous Dogs Act since 31st December 2023? 24

2. How many of the above dogs are:

A. In police kennels awaiting court? 7

B. At home on interim exemption awaiting court? As far as records show - zero

C. Euthanised due to being an unclaimed stray? 2

D. Euthanised by court order? 10 in total but records don't state whether due to owner surrender or court order.

E. Euthanised due to owner signing the dog over to the police? See above (D)

F. At home after exemption being granted in court? 3

3. How many suspected XL bully dogs have been seized and deemed not type? 3

4. How many dogs of different breeds have been seized since 31st December 2023 and what breeds were they? 21

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 23/09/2024