

My Ref: FOI/4216

Your Ref:

Date: 07/04/2025

Enquiries to: Information Requests

E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

Dear Requester,

## Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

Your questions and my findings are as follows:-

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding reports of illegally imported pets within your council's jurisdiction. Specifically, I would like to request the following information for each calendar year from 2020 to the most recent year available:

The number of reports received by the council concerning suspected illegally imported pets.

We cannot specifically search for this category on our database, but a search for complaints from 1.1.20 to 31.12.24 interrogating Animal Health Team's complaint data by searching the words "imported" and "rabies" in the text of the complaints found no matches.

The number of investigations conducted by the council into suspected illegally imported pets.

None

The number of cases where pets were found to have been illegally imported. None

The number of illegally imported pets seized by the council. None

If available, a breakdown of the most commonly investigated breeds. Not applicable

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests via email.

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If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

Barnsley MBC Information Requests Team PO Box 634 Barnsley S70 9GG

email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

Customer Services Team Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Email: <a href="http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints">http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints</a>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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