



My Ref: FOI5998
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: -

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act, to ask for the following

- 1. The number of stray cats collected by the Authority in the calendar year 2025**
The Council provides collection of stray dogs only, this does not extend to stray cats.
- 2. The number of those stray cats that were microchipped in accordance with the regulations (The Microchipping of Cats and Dogs (England) Regulations 2023)**
We do not hold this data.
- 3. The number of deceased cats collected by the Authority in the calendar year 2025**

43 deceased cats collected by the Authority in the calendar year. These were mainly due to been hit by a vehicle.
- 4. The number of those deceased cats whose owners were identified from a microchip**

Approximately 12 cats were chipped and the owners identified
- 5. Are council tenants required to microchip their pet cats as part of their tenancy agreement? Y/N**

No
- 6. The number of council tenants currently registered as owning a microchipped cat**

The Council's housing provider does not keep this information. Microchipped pets are not part of the tenancy agreement.
- 7. The number of 21-day enforcement notices issued for failing to microchip a cat in the calendar year 2025.**

None.

8. The number of cats handed over to the Authority for rescue or rehoming in 2025

The Council provides a service in relation to stray dogs only, this does not extend to stray cats.

If only some of the requested information is held, please release that part and advise me of the gaps.

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

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Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
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Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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