

## **Response to Request for Information**

**Reference** EIR 000048 **Date** 31 May 2016

## **Dog Fouling**

## Request:

- How many fixed penalty fines did you issue for dog fouling in 2014?
  Two
- 2. How many complaints did you receive about dog fouling in 2014? In answer to your question 2 we had no corporate complaints.

In respect of service requests we had the following: 2014 = 1,099

3. How many fixed penalty fines did you issue by month during 2015 for dog fouling?

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	1	0

4. How many complaints did you receive about dog fouling by month during 2015?

In answer to question 4 we had no corporate complaints.

In respect of service requests we had the following: 2015 = 599

- 5. Who deals with the dog fouling complaints within your local authority i.e. cleansing team, dog warden or enforcement officers? The removal of dog excrement from the highway and Council owned land is carried out by staff within Public Realm. Investigations are carried out by officers from within Public Protection
- 6. What are you currently doing to tackle the issues around dog fouling? We try to address dog fouling by a combination of education and enforcement. We aim to conduct intelligence lead targeted overt enforcement patrols of all the open spaces and children's play areas and issue on the spot Fixed Penalty Notices. We have engaged in numerous national and local campaigns to promote responsible dog ownership including the 'Spring Clean' project earlier this year and in 2015.

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