

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002497
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Control of Horses

Request:

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

1. Has your local authority enforced the Control of Horses Act since 1st April 2015? **Yes**
2. If yes, please detail the number of abandoned or fly grazed horses seized by equine bailiffs or removed by local authority officials under the Control of Horses Act in:
 - a) 2015 = **NIL**
 - b) 2016 = **NIL**
 - c) 2017 = **NIL**
 - d) 2018 = **1**
- 3) If no, please detail why the Control of Horses Act has not been used.
- 4) Of the horses seized under the Control of Horses Act can you confirm how many in each year were:
 - a) Collected by the owner = **0**
 - b) Rehomed at a horse charity = **1**
 - c) Privately sold or gifted to a new owner **NIL**
 - d) Euthanased and by what method – shooting or lethal injection? = **NIL**
- 5) Can you detail how much removing horses has cost the council in total between 2015 and 2018? **£15,750.00**