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Sent: 13 May 2024 16:40
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED] Response

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 21 April 2024, for information about animals taken by the local authority from their owners due to their situation.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request:

- 1) In your role under the Care Act on how many occasions in the calendar year 2023 did you as an authority have to take care of the animals/pets of somebody living in your area who was for whatever reason unable to care for them, or unable to find anybody else able to take over their role as carer for those animals/pets?

Response:

Information is recorded in financial years, which runs from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024. In this time, City of Doncaster Council had 15 cases as described above.

Request:

- 2) For each occasion please state (i) the number of animals and their species, (ii) the names of the animals if applicable, (iii) what happened to the animals (were they put in a cattery/given to a animal charity etc), (iv) specify what if any costs were incurred by the council.

Response:

Please see below table of information.

Some information is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information requested is third party personal data (i.e. personal data about someone other than you). Section 40 (2) provides that information which is third party personal data is exempt from disclosure if one of three conditions is satisfied. In this case the following condition applies:

1. Disclosure would contravene one of the data protection principles

The details you have requested regarding the names of the animals are personal data, in that it could specifically lead to the identification of an individual, in this case the owner of the animal(s). Disclosure of the information would contravene the requirement in principle 1 that personal data must be processed fairly and lawfully. City of Doncaster Council owes a duty of confidence to its citizens and this instance, the individual has not consented to the disclosure of this information. Disclosing details without consent would breach that duty of confidence and be unlawful. We therefore are unable to provide the requested information at this time.

Cats x2	Cattery then rehomed	£3835.70
Dog	Kennels then returned to owner	£1348.50
Dog x2	Kennels then returned to owner	£513.16
Dog	Kennels then returned to owner	£570.64
Cat	Cattery then returned to owner	£672.44

Dog	Kennels then returned to owner	£226.15
Dog	Kennels then returned to owner	Family paid kennels direct
Dog	Kennels then returned to owner	£146
Dog x2	Kennels then returned to owner	£2333
Dog	Kennels then rehomed	£1063.78
Dog	Still in Kennels	£2141.44
Cat	Cattery then returned to owner	£294.32
Cat	Cattery then returned to owner	£170.38
Dogs x2	Kennels then returned to owner	£233.91
Cat	Cattery then returned to owner	£372.70

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £46.00 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,

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