FOI REF: 15000

RESPONSE SENT: 04/12/2024

Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information, please:

- 1. How many dog breeding businesses does your local authority currently licence pursuant to the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018?
- 2. Please provide a breakdown by licence of the number of 1. breeding female adult dogs, 2. Breeding male adult dogs, 3. litters of puppies 4. other (non-breeding) dogs specified on each licence and, 5. The star rating of each licence currently in effect (please provide this information in the format shown below):
- 3. For the calendar year 2023, how many dogs (including puppies) did your local authority take into possession, pursuant to s18 Animal Welfare Act 2006?
- 4. In the event your local authority needs to take dogs (including puppies) into possession pursuant to s18 Animal Welfare Act 2006:
- a. What kennel capacity do you have access to for such eventualities?
- b. Is this capacity provided by a. private kennels, b. an animal welfare charity/charity, or
- c. Other provider?

Response

- 1. How many dog breeding businesses does your local authority currently licence pursuant to the Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018? **10**
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Anonymised	Number of	Number of	Number of	Number of other	Star
Establishment Reference	breeding female adult	breeding male adult dogs	litters of puppies	(non-breeding) dogs specified*	Rating
	dogs specified	specified	specified		
а	2	*	2	2	5
b	8	*	8	8	5 <i>1</i>
С	8	*	8	12 M	(t)

d	3	*	3	5	5
е	6	*	6	0	5
f	2	*	2	2	5
g	10	*	10	10	1
h	3	*	3	0	2
i	2	*	2	1	4
j	15	*	12	2	1

*NB Number of breeding male adult dogs and number of non-breeding dogs are not listed separately, thus the figure listed in "number of other" includes adult male dogs

- 3. For the calendar year 2023, how many dogs (including puppies) did your local authority take into possession, pursuant to s18 Animal Welfare Act 2006? **None**
- 4. In the event your local authority needs to take dogs (including puppies) into possession pursuant to s18 Animal Welfare Act 2006:
- a. What kennel capacity do you have access to for such eventualities? **3 kennel** spaces
- b. Is this capacity provided by a. private kennels, b. an animal welfare charity/charity, or Commercial Boarding Kennels
- c. Other provider? N/A