



Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2022.0089

I would firstly like to apologise for the delay in responding to your request. This has been due to an exceedingly high volume of requests and resourcing issues which have impacted both upon the Information Disclosure team and the business areas upon whom we rely to supply the information.

On 23 January 2022 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

The total number of dogs that have been seized by Gloucestershire Police for being considered dangerously out of control as per DDA 91, s3 – Keeping Dogs Under Proper Control, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021.

The total number of those dogs that in addition to being considered dangerously out of control were found to be prohibited breeds as per DDA 91, s1 – Dogs Bred for Fighting, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021.

The total number for each breed or type of dog that was seized under DDA 91, s3 – Keeping Dogs Under Proper Control, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021 (this list should include breed and type breakdown by number). •

To help understand why a breed or type of dog might have been deemed dangerous between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021 please provide a breakdown of numbers for the following;

1. Death
2. Sustained attack requiring physical intervention to cease
3. Multiple Bite Incident
4. Single Bite Incident
5. No bite but injury occurred
6. No Injury

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds some information.

The total number of dogs that have been seized by Gloucestershire Police for being considered dangerously out of control as per DDA 91, s3 – Keeping Dogs Under Proper Control, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021.

21 dogs were seized

The total number of those dogs that in addition to being considered dangerously out of control were found to be prohibited breeds as per DDA 91, s1 – Dogs Bred for Fighting, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021.

6 dogs were Section 1, DDA 1991

The total number for each breed or type of dog that was seized under DDA 91, s3 – Keeping Dogs Under Proper Control, between 1st of January 2019 – 31st of December 2021 (this list should include breed and type breakdown by number).

6 x Pit Bulls

4 x Staffordshire Bull Terriers

4 x Mastiff

2 x Doberman

2 x Husky

1 x German Shepherd

1 x Rottweiler

1 x English Bull Terrier

In relation to your final question, as to the reasons why the dogs were deemed dangerous, the reasons are as follows:

6 x Pit Bulls – 3 x Multiple bites and 3 Single bites

4 x Staffordshire Bull Terriers – 1 x Multiple bite and 3 x Single bites

4 x Mastiff – 1 x Multiple bite and 3 x Single bites

2 x Doberman – 2 x Multiple bites

2 x Husky – 2 x Single bites

1 x German Shepherd – 1 x Single bite

1 x Rottweiler – 1 x Multiple bite

1 x English Bull Terrier – 1 X Single bite

If you are not satisfied with this response or any actions taken in dealing with your request, you have the right to ask that we review your case under our internal procedure. Please note that a request for an internal review must be made within 20 working days of the response to your original request.

If you decide to request that such a review is undertaken and following this process you are still unsatisfied, you then have the right to direct your complaint to the Information Commissioner for consideration.

Yours sincerely,