



Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.0366

On 03/04/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

For the period 1st January 2022 to the 31st December 2022 please supply the following information;

- 1) How many dogs were seized in connection with the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991?
- 2) How many dogs died unexpectedly whilst in the custody of Gloucestershire Police?
- 3) How many dogs whilst in the custody of Gloucestershire Police became ill and were subsequently euthanised on veterinary advice in accordance with the Animal Welfare Act 2006?
- 4) How many of the dogs that died subject to (2) and (3) above were sent for veterinary forensic postmortem?
- 5) On the occasions that a veterinary forensic postmortem was conducted were the results given to the owners of the said dogs?
- 6) If a seized dog becomes ill whilst in your care, do you
 - a) inform the owner immediately,
 - b) inform the owner after veterinary treatment,
 - c) do not inform the owner at all?
- 7) Policy
Is it the policy of Gloucestershire Police to supply the owner of a seized dog with a copy of the veterinary records and kennel records (business names redacted) when their dog is returned to them?

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

1. 20
2. 1
3. 1. Following scans and tests, the seized dog was diagnosed with an untreatable heart condition and was euthanised.
4. 0
5. N/A

6. As soon as practicable following veterinary treatment
7. It is not routine procedure to supply a copy of the veterinary records, but they will be supplied if requested.

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,

Disclosure Officer
Gloucestershire Constabulary