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Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request 2023.1038

On 23/10/2023 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

As a freedom of information request, please provide data regarding dogs seized under Section 3 of the Dangerous Dogs Act. Specifically, for the period from 2018 till present:

1. For each year, the number of dogs seized suspected to be a banned breed
2. For each year, if available, the number of dogs seized suspected to be an XL American Bully, American Bully or XL Bully Cross
3. For each year, the number of stray dogs picked up by police, plus the reason they were picked up (such as suspected to be a banned breed, or acting dangerously)

Additionally, for the period of Jan 2022 till present, please provide a monthly breakdown of the number of dogs seized, the number of suspected banned breeds seized, and the number of suspected XL American Bullies, American Bullies or XL Bully Crosses seized.

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

Please see the below table for figures up to November 2023.

Year	1. Suspected to be a banned breed	2. Suspected to be breeds above	3. Stray dogs
2018	4	0	0
2019	0	0	0
2020	0	0	0
2021	1	0	0

2022	0	0	0
2023	1	2	0

Month	No. Dogs Seized	No. Suspected banned breeds	No. XL Bully Group
2022			
Jan	0		
Feb	1		
Mar	2		
Apr	1		
May	0		
Jun	2		
Jul	1		
Aug	0		
Sep	1		
Oct	2		
Nov	3		
Dec	1		
2023			
Jan	0		
Feb	5	1	
Mar	1		
Apr	0		
May	4		
Jun	3	2	
Jul	2		
Aug	5	2	
Sep	6	1	
Oct	1	1	

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.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following means:

Website - <https://ico.org.uk/>

Call their helpline - 0303 123 1113

Email - casework@ico.org.uk

Post –

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Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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