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Our reference: FOI_24_0772

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Date: 27/09/2024

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0772

On 20/08/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from all UK Police Forces Dog Sections

Please may you provide me with:

1. How many police dogs are currently operational 2024
2. How many police dogs are currently not operational due to injury, ailment, sickness 2024
3. How many police dogs in training 2024
4. How many police dogs procured from 2010 to 2020.
5. How many police dogs were purchased from breeders in the uk. How many from the EU
6. How many police dogs were bred from Police breeding project
7. How many police dogs were gifted or purchased from uk dog rescues and which rescues
8. How many police dogs failed to meet standards. Did they get returned to vendor, breeder or rescue
9. How many police dogs have been successfully rehomed 2010 - 2024
10. How many police dogs failed rehome and were they returned to unit or euthanised
11. How many police dogs have been euthanised due to 1. Sickness, injury, ailment. 2.Behaviour, safety, treachery
12. What is the current budget for rehoming 2024
13. How many registered clinical behaviourists work with rehoming police dogs 2024
14. How many police dog have been euthanised due to accident, injury or ailment on duty 2010-2024
15. How many police dogs died in kennels, vehicles, in enclosures 2010-2014
16. How many police dogs died on duty 2010-2024
17. How many police dogs were rehomed to their handlers or families 2010-2024
18. How many police dogs were rehomed to the general public 2010-2024

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

Police Forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons the figures given relate to information from the specific recording system of Gloucestershire Constabulary and should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you receive.

Please note that our systems are designed to record information for policing purposes and the investigation of crime and not to extract statistical information. Accordingly whilst we endeavour to extract relevant data within the time limits of the Act, any data supplied is subject to these limitations.

1. 18
2. 0
3. 3
4. 62
5. 14 from the UK, 0 from the EU
6. 15
7. 16
8. 3 in total, 2 returned to breeder, 1 rehomed
9. 5
- 10.0
- 11.0
12. No information held – we do not have a budget set for rehoming.
- 13.0
- 14.0
- 15.0
- 16.0
- 17.22
- 18.5

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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Gloucestershire Constabulary