

Ref: FOI / 5794

25th June 2025

Email:

Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Fixed Penalty Notices for Dog Fouling

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

I would like to request the following information regarding dog fouling in your council area.

- 1. How many fixed penalty notices has the council issued to members of the public for failing to clean up dog waste in the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date?**

This information is collated and reported on a financial year basis i.e. 1st April to 31st March:

Year	Amount
2020/21	4
2021/22	4
2022/23	3
2023/24	4
2024/25	6

2. How many fixed penalty notices were paid to the council in the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date?

This information is collated and reported on a financial year basis i.e. 1st April to 31st March:

Year	Amount
2020/21	4
2021/22	4
2022/23	3
2023/24	4
2024/25	6

3. How many members of the public has the council prosecuted for failing to clean up dog waste in the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date?

This information is collated and reported on a financial year basis i.e. 1st April to 31st March:

Year	Amount
2020/21	0
2021/22	1
2022/23	0
2023/24	0
2024/25	0

4. How many dog fouling complaints has the council received in the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date?

Dog fouling complaints are collated and reported on a financial year basis i.e. 1st April to 31st March:

Year	Amount
2020/21	336
2021/22	243
2022/23	244
2023/24	203
2024/25	210

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly, our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
Derry BT48 7NN
Tel: 028 71253253 or email: john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

I would however advise that the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to re-consider its decision.

Yours sincerely

Seamus Donaghy
Head of Health & Community Wellbeing