



Ref: FOI / 5960

12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Dog Fouling and Dog-Related Issues in Public Parks**

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

**I am writing to request the following information regarding dog fouling and dog-related issues within your local authority area, covering the most recent full calendar year (or the latest data available):**

### **General Area Data**

#### **1. The number of fines issued for dog fouling offences.**

Year	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Amount	2	4	2	4	6

#### **2. The total number of dog-fouling-related complaints received.**

Year	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Amount	337	246	245	204	216

#### **3. The number of dedicated dog waste bins is currently provided by the council.**

2024-2025 - 755

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## **Park-Specific Data**

### **4. A list of public parks managed by the council.**

- St Columb's Park, Derry
- Culmore Country Park
- Brooke Park, Derry
- Bay Road Nature Reserve, Derry
- Ballyarnet Country Park, Derry
- Kilkennan Park, Derry
- Top of the Hill Park, Derry
- Creggan Burn Park
- Claudy Country Park, Claudy
- Castle Park, Castlederg

### **5. For each park:**

#### **a. The number of dog-related complaints received.**

We do not record and hold information in this manner.

#### **b. Of those, how many are specifically related to dog fouling?**

We do not record and hold information in this manner.

### **6. Which park received:**

#### **a. The highest number of dog-related complaints.**

We do not record and hold information in this manner.

#### **b. The lowest number of dog-related complaints.**

We do not record and hold information in this manner.

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](mailto: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: [caserwork@ico.org.uk](mailto:caserwork@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 reconsider its decision.

Yours sincerely

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