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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1271

I write further to your email dated 26 August 2020.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), explained on our <u>freedom of information</u> page.

Your request:

- 1. The cost of dog fouling in your area of responsibility. Information not held. Costs are not brokendown in this way.
- The number of callouts from the public and other bodies to have dog feaces removed from streets and other public areas i.e. through "Fix my Street" and other platforms you may use. We only store data which relates to dog fouling complaints in general and do not separate between cleaning up, campaigns and enforcement.
- 3. The cost to the Council for dog fouling over a 3 year period from 2017 to present. Information not held.
- 4. The number of bins you have in our area of responsibility for dog waste. *NWLDC has around 15-20 purely dog waste bins, however the total of our district litter bins is approximately 500 which are all used for dog waste and litter.*
- 5. Disposal costs per year for dog waste. *Information not held.*

6. The number of collections on a monthly basis over the course of 12 months preferably from 2018-2019 due to the COVID 19 lockdown.

All of our dog waste and litter bins are emptied 4 to 8 times a month depending on their usage. COVID-19 has not affected our litter/dog bin collections.

- 7. The costs to the Council for providing dog waste services. Information not held.
- 8. Are you currently working on any innovative solutions to treat dog waste in your areas? *No.*
- 9. The cost to procure bins for dog waste in your area. Information not held.

- 10. The number of man hours taken to clean up dog waste fouling over 12 months. Information not held.
- 11. How many fines have been issued to dog owners for fouling in your area? 2017 to present there has been 7 FPN's issued.
- 12. Is there a budget for dog fouling waste cleanup? if so,how much of the public budget is allocated to it?

There is no separate budget for clean up.

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Further details on our appeals and complaints procedure can be found on our website here.

If you remain dissatisfied following the conclusion of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at <u>accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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