

Further to your information request FOI/EIR 23/24-264, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

1. How many raids, welfare enforcement visits and warrants were executed under the Animal Welfare Act 2006 between 31st August 2019 and 31st August 2023 by the council with the assistance of the RSPCA on the day. Please indicate the RSPCA level of assistance if known, i.e., transport only, assessment, physical handling of animals etc. - Zero

2. How many raids (Zero), welfare enforcement visits (One) and warrants (One) were executed under the Animal Welfare Act 2006 during the same period by the council without the presence and assistance of the RSPCA. -

3. Please indicate which type of council officers were present during the above action and how many of each type if known Animal Welfare Officers (Zero), Animal Licensing Officers (Two), Animal Health Officers (Zero), Other (Dog Warden x 1).

4. How many requests for information or assistance were made to the council in relation to Animal Welfare issues between 31st August 2019 and 31st August 2023 by the local police authority; by the RSPCA. - Zero

5. How many of the above actions were on domestic premises (One); rescues (Zero); boarding kennels (Zero), and Animal Welfare Establishments (AWE's) including sanctuaries (Zero), and how many were puppy farms? (Puppy farms are not defined, but the one warrant case had a number of litters)

6. How many animals were seized during the above actions and removed from the premises, please breakdown by type, i.e., dogs (twenty-nine), cats (Zero), horses (Zero)- paying particular attention to dogs.

7. How many animals paying specific reference to dogs were euthanised 'on site' during the above actions. - Zero

8. How many of those animals euthanised on site during the above actions were euthanised due to welfare issues; deemed too dangerous/difficult to handle or to transport, with specific reference to dogs. Please state any other reasons for euthanasia with numbers, with specific reference to dogs. – N/A

9. How many animals which were seized, specifically dogs were later euthanised due welfare issues; too difficult to handle/aggressive or any other reason. - Zero

10. Please provide a breakdown of dogs by breed of those euthanised if known i.e., German Shepherd, Jack Russell etc. Or by size, small, medium, large dogs if known. - Zero

Response:

Please see responses above in red

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 23/24-264

If information has been refused please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.