



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 25/26-087, please find your question and our response below.

**Request:**

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding dog fouling complaints and enforcement actions. I would like to request the following information:

1. The number of reports of dog fouling received by East Cambridgeshire District Council per year for the past five years (2020–2024)
2. The number of Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) issued for dog fouling per year for the past five years.
3. The total value of fines issued from dog fouling penalties in each of these years
4. The number of enforcement officers responsible for monitoring and addressing dog fouling

**Response:**

Year	Number of complaints received by Env Health Team	FPN	FPN paid
2020	20	4	£320
2021	12	0	nil
2022	3	1	£80
2023	8	1	£80
2024	14	0	nil

It is estimated that the number of officers dealing with dog fouling is less than 0.1 FTE. This is because officers are required to undertake a wide range of roles, for example caravan site licensing, fly tipping investigations, noise and nuisance investigations, pest complaint investigations, overgrown gardens and ASB etc. Therefore, dog fouling monitoring and investigations make up a small part of an officer's role so it is difficult to accurately separate time spent on this from other requirements.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 25/26-087.

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](mailto: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.