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RESPONSE SENT:	24.6.25

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am requesting the following information regarding dog-related noise complaints in your council area:

1. The total number of complaints received about dog barking between January 2022 and May 2024.

2. If recorded, how many of these complaints referred to barking occurring in early morning hours (between 4:00am and 8:00am)?

3. Any available data or summary that categorises complaints by:

Time of day Reason for complaint (e.g., persistent noise, sleep disturbance, early wake-ups)

Please provide the data in an electronic format (PDF or spreadsheet). If time-ofday data is not routinely recorded, a clarification to that effect is appreciated.

Response

1. The total number of complaints received about dog barking between January 2022 and May 2024. 148 (note assumed up until 31st May)

2. If recorded, how many of these complaints referred to barking occurring in early morning hours (between 4:00am and 8:00am)? This is not collated as data - but is assessed for each case as part of a statutory nuisance investigation.

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Time of day Reason for complaint (e.g., persistent noise, sleep disturbance, early wake-ups) This is not collated as data - but is assessed for each case as part of a statutory nuisance investigation.