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Your ref:

Our ref: **RFI-2016-0655**

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Request for information: RFI-2016-0655**

Your request for information about Stray Dogs has now been considered. The information held by the Council relevant to your request is set out below:

1. How many stray dogs entered pounds in your area in 2015?  
**192**
2. How many of these stray dogs were bull breeds?  
**65 comprising 63 Staffordshire Bull Terriers, 1 English Bull Terrier, 1 American Bull Terrier.**
3. How many stray dogs in your pounds were euthanised in 2015?  
**20**
4. How many of these were bull breeds?  
**18 of which 17 Staffordshire Bull Terriers and 1 SBT Cross.**
5. How many of the stray dogs entering pounds in your area were prohibited types under Section 1 of the Dangerous Dogs Act?  
**None**
6. Are stray dogs entering local authority pounds subject to a veterinary examination upon entry?  
**Not unless clearly sick or injured.**
7. If so, are bull breeds assessed for injuries potentially attributable to dog fighting or being used as a bait dog (e.g. injuries to legs, tongue injuries, teeth being filed down, other facial scarring etc)?  
**Not routinely.**
8. If bull breeds are assessed for such injuries, how many showed signs of such injuries upon entry into the kennels in 2015?  
**None**

This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If you have any further queries or concerns about the information provided please do not hesitate to contact us. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, starting the day after the date of this letter, we will consider the request closed.

If following our response to your query you are still dissatisfied you have the right to request an internal review. This will be conducted by the Director of Safety or the Deputy Chief Executive who have not been involved with the request or complaint until this point. Should you wish to proceed to this stage please advise us quoting the reference number at the top of this page.

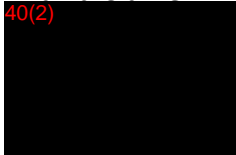
Should you be dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review to the Council you have a further right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office, details of which can be found on the Information Commissioner's website [www.ico.org.uk/](http://www.ico.org.uk/)

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Yours sincerely

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