

Request 8504 – Animal Welfare

We are presently undertaking on behalf of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Animal Welfare (APGAW) a survey on enforcement of sections 4 (unnecessary suffering) and 9 (duty of a person responsible for an animal to ensure its welfare) of the Animal Welfare Act 2006. To this end, we are seeking the information set out in the attached questionnaire. It is in the form of a Word document for ease of completion.

Response

Name of local authority: South Cambridgeshire District Council

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1. Does the authority presently have any member of staff appointed as an inspector under the authority of the animal welfare act 2006, section 51? Yes

Yes – please continue to answer questions 2 and 3.

No – please continue to question 4

2. How many members of staff are presently appointed as inspectors under the 2006 act? 1
3. In which department(s) are they based? Environmental Health

Thank you. Now please proceed to question 8.

4. Has the authority previously appointed inspectors under the 2006 act?

Yes – please continue to answer the remaining questions

No – please continue to question 6 and subsequent questions.

5. In what year did the authority cease to have any member of staff appointed as an inspector under the 2006 act?

6. On what ground(s) has the authority decided not to appoint any member of staff as an inspector under the act?

7. Does the authority have an arrangement with another local authority to carry out on its behalf enforcement of sections 4 and 9 of the Animal Welfare Act?

Yes – please indicate the name of the authority:

No

8. By completing the grid, please provide in relation to your authority the following information for the years 2010-2019

Year	Complaints received¹	Complaints investigated	Number of Improvement Notices issued	Number of cases closed following successful implementation of Improvement Notice	Number of prosecutions brought²	Convictions secured in Magistrates' Courts	Defendants Convicted³	Number of Section 33 Deprivation Orders Imposed⁴	Number of Section 34 Disqualification Orders Imposed⁴
2010	N/K	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2011	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2012	14	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	16	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	20	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2017	38	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2018	34	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	34	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0