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**To:** [REDACTED]  
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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 27 March 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

**Can you tell me how many fines for dog fouling you have handed out for each month of 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 so far?**

	2014	2015	2016	2017 (so far)
January	1	2	1	1
February	1	5	1	3
March	4	5	1	4
April	2	1	0	1
May	1	2	1	
June	4	0	2	
July	2	2	3	
August	1	1	1	
September	2	0	0	
October	0	1	3	
November	2	0	2	
December	2	1	0	

**Could you tell me the total amount for each month?**

The table below shows the payments that would have been received had all FPNs been paid within 28 days. The FPN increased from £40 to £80 in April 2016. When fines are not paid within the statutory 28 day period the amount to be paid increased from £40 to £60 (pre April 2016) and from £80 to £100 (post April 2016).

	2014 £	2015 £	2016 £	2017 (so far) £
January	40	80	40	80
February	40	200	40	240
March	160	200	40	320
April	80	40	0	80
May	40	80	80	
June	160	0	160	
July	80	80	240	
August	40	40	80	
September	80	0	0	
October	0	40	240	
November	80	0	160	
December	80	40	0	

**Could you make it clear if those fines have been issued by council officers, community wardens or any other person?**

All FPN's recorded by the Council were issued by dog wardens or City Wardens, all of whom are employed by the Council.

Year 2014	FPNs Issued per month	Dog Warden	City Warden	Other
January	1	1	0	0
February	1	1	0	0
March	4	0	4	0
April	2	0	2	0
May	1	0	1	0
June	4	0	4	0
July	2	0	2	0
August	1	0	1	0
September	2	1	1	0
October	0	0	0	0
November	2	0	2	0
December	2	0	2	0

Year 2015	FPNs Issued per Month	Dog Warden	City Warden	Other
January	2	0	2	0
February	5	1	4	0
March	5	1	4	0
April	1	0	1	0
May	2	0	2	0
June	0	0	0	0
July	2	1	1	0
August	1	1	0	0
September	0	0	0	0
October	1	0	1	0
November	0	0	0	0
December	1	1	0	0

Year 2016	FPNs Issued per month	Dog Warden	City Warden	Other
January	1	0	1	0
February	1	0	1	0
March	1	0	1	0
April	0	0	0	0
May	1	1	0	0
June	2	1	1	0
July	3	2	1	0
August	1	0	1	0
September	0	0	0	0

October	3	1	2	0
November	2	1	1	0
December	0	0	0	0

Year 2017	FPNs Issued per month	Dog Warden	City Warden	Other
January	1	1	0	0
February	3	2	1	0
March	4	1	3	0
April (to date)	1	0	1	0
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				

**For each month can you tell me how many of those fines have been paid and how much has been paid back? And how much is still to be paid back?**

2014	FPNs Issued	Number paid	Amount paid £	Still to be paid	Amount unpaid (based on £40 fine)
January	1	0	0	1	40
February	1	1	40	0	0
March	4	0	0	4	160
April	2	2	80	0	0
May	1	0	0	1	40
June	4	0	0	4	160
July	2	0	0	2	80
August	1	1	40	0	0
September	2	0	0	2	80
October	0	0	0	0	0
November	2	1	40	1	40
December	2	0	0	2	80

2015	FPNs Issued	Number paid	Amount paid £	Still to be paid	Amount unpaid (based on £40 fine)
January	2	0	0	2	80
February	5	0	0	5	200
March	5	1	40	4	160
April	1	0	0	1	40

May	2	0	0	2	80
June	0	0	0	0	0
July	2	0	0	2	80
August	1	0	0	1	40
September	0	0	0	0	0
October	1	0	0	1	40
November	0	0	0	0	0
December	1	0	0	1	40

2016	FPNs Issued	Number paid	Amount paid £	Still to be paid	Amount unpaid (based on £40 / £80) fine
January	1	0	0	1	40
February	1	0	0	1	40
March	1	0	0	1	40
April	0	0	0	0	0
May	1	0	0	1	80
June	2	0	0	2	160
July	3	0	0	3	240
August	1	0	0	1	80
September	0	0	0	0	0
October	3	1	80	2	160
November	2	0	0	2	160
December	0	0	0	0	0

2017	FPNs Issued	Number paid	Amount paid £	Still to be paid	Amount unpaid (based on £80)
January	1	0	0	1	80
February	3	1	80	2	160
March	4	0	0	4	320
April	1	0	0	1	80
May					
June					
July					
August					
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**Can you also give me a total amount of unpaid dog fouling fines for as long as you have been collecting fines for dog fouling?**

180 unpaid at £40 = £7,200.00

19 unpaid at £80	=	£1,520.00
6 Part Paid	=	£115.00

**Can you also tell me if you have instructed collection agents because of outstanding dog fouling fine debts, and if so, on how many occasions, and how much money they have managed to collect.**

Collecting agents not instructed to collect outstanding fines.

**Can you also detail how the money raised from dog fouling fines is used?**

The income from the fines is used to support the provision of the dog warden service.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

### **INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST**

As the information which you requested is environmental information, as defined under Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (the EIRs), ACC considered that it was exempt from release through FOISA, and must therefore give you notice that we are refusing your request under Section 39(2) of FOISA (Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002). However, you have a separate right to access the information which you have requested under Regulation 5 of the EIRs, under which ACC has handled your request. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under the EIRs.

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