

FOI Reference Number: FOI/252/2425

Date: 03 October 2024

Thank you for your information request received by the Policy team at Mid and East Antrim Borough Council (MEABC) on 3rd October 2024 which has been processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your request and our response:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding complaints and fines related to dog fouling within the Mid and East Antrim Borough for the year 2023.

This information is regarded as *held* by MEABC for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Specifically, I would like to request:

1) *The total number of complaints received by the council regarding dog fouling in the Mid and East Antrim area in 2023.*

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2) *The total number of fines issued by the council in relation to dog fouling in 2023. There were 10 Fixed Penalty Notices issued.*

Please quote the reference number FOI/252/2425 on any related communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within forty working days of the date of receipt of the response to your original email/letter, and should be sent by email to FOI@midandeantrim.gov.uk or by post to:

Policy Team,
The Braid,
1-29 Bridge Street,
Ballymena,
BT43 5EJ.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. You must make your complaint to the ICO within 40 working days of you receiving your response or the date of your last contact with the Council.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

Alternatively, a complaint may be made via the ICO website at:

<https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at:

<https://www.midandeantrim.gov.uk/>

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.