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**Place Directorate**  
**Culture, Housing and Regulation**  
Phillip Spurr, Service Director

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Date: 8 July 2016  
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Dear Christina

**Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I wish to confirm that the Place Directorate has now completed its search for the information which you requested by e-mail on 5 July 2016.

Your questions and my findings are as follows:-

- 1. How much money has your local authority allocated for managing your authority area's stray and feral cat population in 2016? How much was spent on the same in 2015?**

No money has been allocated for either year.

- 2. Which organisation(s) and/or charities in your local authority area are formally appointed to deal with stray and feral cats on your behalf?**

Whilst not formally appointed, any complaints we do receive regarding stray/feral cats are referred to the RSPCA or the Cat Protection League.

- 3. What is your policy on managing stray and feral cats in your local authority area?**

There is no formal policy for managing stray and feral cats.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Tom Grierson on (01226) 770770. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely



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