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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI676002433

Thank you for your request for information relating to Freedom of information request - commercial dog walkers.

You have requested the following information:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding commercial dog walking services within your jurisdiction.

For each of the years 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024, please provide the following information:

1. Did commercial dog walkers need a licence to operate in your area?

We confirm that commercial dog walkers did not need a license to operate in our area.

2. If yes to question 1, what was the maximum number of dogs a commercial dog walker could exercise at any one time?

Not applicable.

3. If yes to question 1, how many individuals held a current, valid licence to operate as a commercial dog walker in your area?

Not applicable.

4. If yes to question 1, were any licenses for commercial dog walkers been revoked? If yes, please provide details of the reason(s) for revoking.

Not applicable.

5. If no to question 1, is the authority considering introducing licences for commercial dog walkers in the next 12 months?

We are currently looking at licenses for commercial dog walkers to exercise their dogs in Councilowned Parks, but no decisions have been made as of yet.

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Yours faithfully

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