

CORE OFFER BUDGET FOR DOG WARDEN SERVICE

WHY DOES THE COUNCIL HAVE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WHAT DOES IT NEED TO COVER?

Section 149 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 states “Every local authority shall appoint an officer for the purpose of discharging the function of dealing with stray dogs in the Borough. It has a duty to detain any dog found in a public place, serve notice on the owner, if identified, and fine.”

In 2014, the Council handled 485 dogs of which 296 were initially put in the Council’s kennels with 267 of these being forwarded to boarding kennels.

Stray dog collection and kennelling service to be provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Minimum requirement is 1.5 employees, vehicles and other associated costs.

HOW DOES THE CORE OFFER BUDGET MEET THE COUNCIL’S OBLIGATIONS?

The above will be the minimum requirement to meet the Council’s duties under the Environmental Protection Act.

DOES THIS DIFFER FROM THE CURRENT SERVICE?

No

WHAT IS THE CORE BUDGET MADE UP OF?

2019/20 budget £76,957

	Budget 2019/20 £
Employee	41,049
Premises	2,024
Transport	10,498
Supplies & Services*	11,014
Support Services	942
Income	(2,510)
Overheads	13,940
Total	76,957

*£10,000 is paid to outside providers who house the stray dogs.