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Dear Ms Anderson

**OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST – INFORMATION ABOUT INFRINGEMENTS OR PROSECUTIONS**

I am writing in response to your email request of 4 June 2019, requesting information on infringement notices and prosecutions, on behalf of the Dunedin Dog Bylaws Group. Your questions have been answered below:

**(a) The number of infringement notices issued and/or prosecutions taken in relation to incidents involving dogs and occurring in "Truby King Reserve", "Opoho Park" and "Lovelock Bush".**

Your request for the number of infringement notices for incidents in the "Truby King Reserve", "Opoho Park" and "Lovelock Bush" areas is declined under Section 17(f) of LGOIMA, that the information requested cannot be made without substantial collation. To provide this information would require a review of over 3,500 infringement notices issued, to determine the location of the incident. We have however attached for your information a list of infringements issued for the 2014-2019 period, across all areas, with reasons given.

With respect to prosecutions for the areas requested, I advise that there were no prosecutions for these areas over the 2014-2019 period.

**(b) The nature of the behaviour for which the infringement notices were issued, or prosecutions taken. For example, whether a dog-dog incident, human-dog incident, barking, wandering, etc, and the Bylaw clause or section of the Dog Control Act 1996 that was breached.**

Please see the attached list with the reasons for infringements provided.

As we have declined to provide some of the information requested, I advise that you have the right to have this decision reviewed by the Office of the Ombudsman. You may contact via phone on 0800 802 602 or email to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



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**GOVERNANCE SUPPORT OFFICER**

## Animal Infringements 2014 -2019

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Offence Type/Description</u>               | <u>Count</u> |
|-------------|---|--------------|
| 2019        | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 2            |
| 2019        | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 13           |
| 2019        | Failure to keep dog under control             | 1            |
| 2019        | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 43           |
| 2019        | Failure to register dog                       | 53           |
| 2019        | No microchip transponder                      | 29           |
| 2018        | Fails to comply with effects as dangerous     | 1            |
| 2018        | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 8            |
| 2018        | Failure to advise change of address           | 1            |
| 2018        | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 15           |
| 2018        | Failure to keep dog under control             | 2            |
| 2018        | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 98           |
| 2018        | Failure to register dog                       | 408          |
| 2018        | Failure to supply information upon request    | 14           |
| 2018        | No microchip transponder                      | 124          |
| 2017        | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 3            |
| 2017        | Failure to carry leash in public              | 1            |
| 2017        | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 3            |
| 2017        | Failure to keep dog under control             | 6            |
| 2017        | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 92           |
| 2017        | Failure to register dog                       | 435          |
| 2017        | Failure to supply information upon request    | 18           |
| 2017        | No microchip transponder                      | 125          |
| 2016        | Dangerous dog at large unmuzzled or unleashed | 3            |
| 2016        | Fails to comply with effects as dangerous     | 1            |
| 2016        | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 5            |
| 2016        | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 24           |
| 2016        | Failure to keep dog under control             | 9            |
| 2016        | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 147          |
| 2016        | Failure to register dog                       | 474          |
| 2016        | No microchip transponder                      | 33           |
| 2015        | Dangerous dog at large unmuzzled or unleashed | 2            |
| 2015        | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 5            |
| 2015        | Failure to advise change of address           | 1            |
| 2015        | Failure to advise change of dog ownership     | 2            |
| 2015        | Failure to carry leash in public              | 1            |
| 2015        | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 19           |
| 2015        | Failure to keep dog under control             | 10           |
| 2015        | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 92           |
| 2015        | Failure to register dog                       | 422          |
| 2015        | Failure to supply info upon request - dog     | 1            |
| 2015        | Failure to supply information upon request    | 20           |

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|------|---|--------------|
| 2015 | Failure to undertake dog owner education      | 1            |
| 2015 | False statement relating to registration      | 1            |
| 2015 | Falsely notifying death of dog                | 1            |
| 2015 | No microchip transponder                      | 76           |
| 2015 | Wilful obstruction of Dog Control Officer     | 1            |
| 2014 | Dangerous dog at large unmuzzled or unleashed | 1            |
| 2014 | Failure comply with effects of menacing       | 17           |
| 2014 | Failure to Comply with any bylaw              | 20           |
| 2014 | Failure to comply with barking abatement      | 1            |
| 2014 | Failure to keep dog under control             | 7            |
| 2014 | Failure to keep dog controlled or confined    | 128          |
| 2014 | Failure to register dog                       | 427          |
| 2014 | Failure to supply information upon request    | 6            |
| 2014 | Falsely notifying death of dog                | 1            |
| 2014 | No microchip transponder                      | 71           |
| 2014 | Wilful obstruction of Dog Control Officer     | 1            |
|      | <b>TOTAL</b>                                  | <b>3,526</b> |

