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Please provide the following information held by the Council for the 2023/24 financial year (1 April 2023 - 31 March 2024), in digital format.

If the above can be provided more easily for both 2022/23 and 2023/24, please include both years.

Stray dogs collected under section 149 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA 1990): total number. -

2023: 25

2024: 11

2025: 8

Reclaimed by owners: total number -

2023: 20

2024: 7

2025: 4

Rehomed directly by the council: total number.

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Transferred to third-party organisations (rescue/rehoming groups): - Total number transferred. - Names of all organisations that received dogs and the number each received.

All stray dogs collected by the City of Edinburgh Council are deposited at The Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home (EDCH) who take the dogs through the collection or rehoming process on our behalf

Euthanised: total number, with a short reason code breakdown if recorded (e.g., medical, behavioural/public safety, legal requirement).

2023: 1

2024: 2

2025: 5

Kennelling/pound provision: - Name of the current provider contracted for stray dog kennelling/pound services. - Contract start date and end/renewal date.

The Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home (EDCH) started 2006 on an annual rolling contract – renewal date 01/04/26

Due diligence/oversight of rescues: - Does the council require licensing, inspection, or specific minimum standards for third-party rescues it transfers dogs to? (Yes/No). - If Yes, please provide the policy, checklist, or criteria used (the latest version).

No

Policies/procedures: the current council policy (or SOP) covering the handling, transfer, rehoming, and euthanasia of stray dogs. For clarity, ?stray dogs? refers to dogs collected/accepted by or on behalf of the council under EPA 1990 s.149 (including out-of-hours contractors).

See attached RAMS covering handling and transfer. The Council has no current policy covering rehoming, euthanasia or out of hours as these processes are carried out by a third party (EDCH) or Police Scotland