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APPENDIX B

Collection of Stray Dogs – In house costings

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The Council have a statutory obligation to provide stray dog services including kennelling, collection and rehoming services.

As part of the procurement process other options were considered, including bringing the collection of stray dogs in-house and only contracting out the kennelling element.

The kennelling provision was not considered for in-sourcing due to the considerable expense in setting up and managing kennel provision as well as recruiting the experienced staff and equipment that would be required.

2. Pricing

Below are indicative costings for the delivery of the stray collection service in-house. It is based on the assumption that the service would require 2 FTE dog wardens and 0.5 FTE administration support as a minimum, with 2 dedicated vans and the service being provided 9am to 5pm daily.

	Cost per year
Van hire/lease, including fleet service costs x2	£15,200
Fuel (2 vehicles allocated to dog warden service)	£24,000
Dog wardens (2 FTE) incl. on costs	£94,504
Administration support (0.5 FTE) incl. on costs	£20,610
Service costs (training, equipment, internal recharges etc)	£44,000
Total	£198,314

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