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Dear		

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Details of Quarantine facilities in the UK

Thank you for your request for information of 25th August about Details of Quarantine facilities in the UK. APHA have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

"Dear Animal and Plant Health Agency,

- 1. How many quarantine kennels for dogs are there across the whole of the UK?
- 2. Of those, how many are there in England?
- 3. Of those in 2, how many are there in the South East of England?
- 4. Of those in 3, how many were vacant on 26.06.23?"

Much of the information you have requested is in the public domain here:

Rabies guarantine: authorised premises and carriers - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

As the information is publicly available it is exempt (citing Section 21) from release via the Freedom of information Act (FOIA) 2000.

APHA do not hold the information on how many are vacant at any time.

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Yours sincerely

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Annex

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