

**Devon and Cornwall Police Authority**

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Report of the Chief Executive

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**Police Dog Welfare Scheme Annual Report 2009-10 Additional Paper**

Clarification was requested on the below table and the reasoning behind some stations having no reported Police dogs seen, even though requests have been made.

There are various reasons why a Police Dog may be unavailable as listed below;

- The Police Dog Handler is committed to another job
- At the time of day the IAWV's (Independent Animal Welfare Volunteers) have requested a Police dog there may not be a handler on duty in that area.
- A handler may be on duty but geographically may be too far away from the station for it to be reasonable to request for them to come back.

Each time a request to see a Police Dog is made and there is none available a full explanation is given to the IAWV's which is recorded on their report form.

Police Dogs from all over Devon and Cornwall can be seen at Middlemoor HQ, where the Police Dog Training school is located.

6. The following table shows the number of police dogs seen by Independent Animal Welfare Visitor(s) during the period 1 April 2009 to 31 March 2010.

Police Station	Number of requests/visits to see dogs	Number of dogs seen
Barnstaple	6	0
Camborne	5	6
Exeter (Heavitree Road)	17	9
Exeter (Middlemoor)	8	29
Newquay	4	0
Plymouth	6	4
Torquay	13	5
Launceston	7	3
Exmouth	1	0
Newton Abbot	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>57</b>

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