

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am absolutely disgusted by the way Lennox and his family have been treated. Lennox, an American Bull dog cross was seized by Sandie of your BCC dog wardens department on the 19th May 2010 from his owner Ms Caroline Barnes at her home in Belfast BT13. You have refused to acknowledge any of her telephone calls regarding her beloved family pet or update her on Lennox's condition and whereabouts. This poor dog has a loving family and a home, he has done nothing wrong yet you have forcibly removed him and continue to have him locked up in poor conditions. There are many stray dogs across the UK in kennels hoping to be homed and yet you remove a dog for no reason that actually has a loving, caring home. How can you call yourself fair, caring or civilised to do such a thing? To take away this dog with the aim of destroying it for no more than the fact its muzzle and legs are a certain amount of inches long! You cannot judge a dog by its breed or how it looks no more than you can judge a person by their nationality. Do the only correct and humane thing by returning this dog alive and in the same physical condition as when he was wrongfully seized. Prove you are not the uncaring people that the world is now reading about. I would also be grateful if you do not insult me by sending the standardised email reply that you continually send to everyone as below. I request a non standard reply.

"Thank you for your recent communication regarding a dog seizure. Your comments have been read and noted. It is not the Council's policy to comment upon individual cases that are or may be the subject of legal proceedings. The Council has a duty to ensure that the law relating to dangerous dogs is enforced and to ensure that the safety of the public is maintained as far as is possible. The Council recognises that this may be upsetting to individual owners who have dogs seized, however it will continue to apply the law and ensure that the general public interest is served."

Yours faithfully