



## ADDRESS

**Date March 2022**

Dublin City Council has received a report alleging **nuisance by dog/s barking** by a dog/s which you were at the time the owner, keeper, or person in charge at (**address as above**)

**We have advised the complainant that they may make a complaint to the District Court in accordance with Section 25 of the Control of Dogs Act 1986/92, which states as follows:**

**25.—(1)** Where, on a complaint being made to the District Court by any person, it appears that a nuisance has been created as a result of excessive barking by a dog, the court may—

- (a) order the occupier of the premises in which the dog is kept to abate the nuisance by exercising due control over the dog;
- (b) make an order limiting for such period as may be specified in the order the number of dogs to be kept by the respondent on his premises;
- (c) direct that the dog be delivered to a dog warden to be dealt with by him in accordance with the provisions of this Act as if the dog were an unwanted dog.

(2) Before any person makes a complaint to the District Court in relation to a nuisance caused by the excessive barking of a dog, he shall serve notice in the prescribed form, within such time as may be specified in the notice, of his intention to make such a complaint on the occupier of the premises in which the dog is kept.

***IF this is the case***, in order to avoid this action by the complainant, I would ask you to consider the matter. I have enclosed a leaflet that might be of some help to you in this regard.

If you wish to contact the Animal Welfare Unit in relation to this matter you can do so by phoning the Animal Welfare Unit on 01 2225441 or on the out of hours service at **01 222 6060** and a member of staff will get back to you at the earliest available time.

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Manager  
Animal Welfare Unit