

Name	
Address	
Contact telephone No.	
Description of the complaint	Please complete the Barking Dog Diary found at the end of this form for a minimum of 14 days.

Impact Statement - Please describe how the nuisance barking is affecting your peace, comfort and convenience whilst in your premises.

I hereby acknowledge that this statement is true and correct and I make it in the belief that a person making a false statement in the circumstances is liable to the penalties of perjury.

I am / I am not willing to attend court and give evidence in relation to this matter.

Signed _____



IDENTIFICATION OF DOG/S AND ADDRESS THE NUISANCE ORIGINATES FROM

	Breed	Colour	Gender	Describe the dog(s)
DOG 1				
DOG 2				
DOG 3				
Address	barking originates	s from:		
	to believe barking address:	originates		

Disclaimer: The information provided in this Barking Dog Diary may be used by Council in legal proceedings. You may be required to attend court as a witness. Council cannot guarantee your confidentiality throughout the process.

The above written answers are a true representation of the statement given by me.					
SIGNATURE		DATE			



How to complete a Barking Dog Diary

Your accuracy in recording nuisance barking is extremely important as it forms part of the evidence that may be presented in court. If you are cross-examined, this diary needs to be a clear record of what occurred on any particular day.

Please complete a detailed diary over a minimum of 14 days (please be aware subsequent diaries will be required throughout the investigation process).

Intermittent barking: non-continuous barking, starts and stops Continuous barking: continual non-stop barking without a break

- 1. Avoid recording large blocks stating "Barking all day" or 7am to 7pm. This will affect the credibility of the diary and will not be considered detailed enough to act upon.
- 2. All entries should reflect the actual times the barking started and stopped.
- 3. During spates of intermittent barking over long periods, ensure you record this in blocks of no longer than 15 minutes to provide a more accurate picture of the nuisance.
- 4. On days when no nuisance level barking is occurred, please note this next to the date.

Day & date of Barking	Time barking started	Time barking stopped	Type of barking (eg howling, yelping)	Reason for barking (eg postman, workmen)	Impact	Location where noise is heard from
Tuesday 20/06/14	6:30am	6:41am	Continuous whimpering	Nobody in street	Woke me up	Bedroom
Tuesday 20/06/14	3:10pm	3:16pm	Intermittent	Postman	Unable to relax and watch TV	Lounge
Tuesday 20/06/14	3:36pm	3:39pm	Intermittent	Workmen next door	Trying to entertain friend	Garden/ rear yard
Tuesday 20/06/14	4:02pm	4:12pm	Continuous Loud bark	Cat in property	Unable to relax effecting health	Family room
Tuesday 20/06/14	5:18pm	5:25pm	Intermittent howling, distressed	No one left home	Disrupted my study/work	Study

Example diary entries

This may seem excessive but remember the success of your case will rely on quality and completeness of your evidence. Also the more information we are able to provide to the dog owner the more likely they are to be able to establish the causes of the barking and address the issues effectively.



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Any additional Notes;