

What to do if you find a dog

If you find a stray dog it is a legal requirement to try and reunite it with its owner

Many stray dogs come from loving homes and owners are desperate for their safe return:

- Check to see if the dog is wearing a tag. If so, call the owner and arrange to hand the dog back.
- No tag? Please take the dog to a local vet. The vets can check for a microchip and contact the owners if a microchip is present.
- Social media can play a huge part in reuniting a dog with its owner. Please check apps such as Facebook and Nextdoor.

If an owner cannot be located, you have a legal obligation to take the dog to the Council's reception point:

**Portsmouth Stray Dog Kennels,
Great Salterns Farm, Burrfields Road,
Portsmouth PO3 5HH.**

Tel: 02392 688181.

Opening hours: 09.00-16:30.

If you are unable to take a dog to the council's reception point then, in some cases, during weekday opening hours (9am to 4.30pm) our officers may be able to collect it. To report to the Council, call 01243785166. Please see website for more details.
<https://www.chichester.gov.uk/reportastraydog>



If you have lost your dog, please call us as it may have been handed in/reported to us