

Puppy abandoned with note in East Lothian



The Scottish SPCA is appealing for information after a puppy was abandoned at a rural roadside in East Lothian.

Scotland's animal welfare charity was alerted on Sunday afternoon (22 June) after a member of the public spotted the little dog inside a cage in Humbie.

The white female Maltese terrier is now in the care of the Scottish SPCA's Edinburgh and Lothians Animal Rescue and Rehoming Centre in Balerno.

Inspector Emma Phillips said, "Lola is a very healthy wee puppy who was left along with a letter which talks about her feeding routine.

"From reading it, it looks like whoever owned Lola has cared for her, which makes it difficult to understand why they would do this to her.

"We understand that it can be very difficult at times to care for a pet due to changes in personal circumstances, but there is no excuse for abandoning an animal.

"If anyone recognises Lola we'd urge them to get in touch with us on 03000 999 999.

"We'll look after Lola until we can find her a loving new home."

Abandoning an animal is an offence under the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 and anyone found guilty of doing so can expect to be banned from keeping animals for a fixed period or life.

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