## Man charged with abandoning mistreated dog in Bathgate



A man has been charged in connection with the abandonment of a mistreated dog, which subsequently had to be put down, in Bathgate.

Officers were called to a roundabout near to Wester Inch and the Tesco Supermarket on Blackburn Road in the early hours of Monday 3rd September.

The dog, which was alone and could barely walk, was found severely malnourished with its ribs visible and had cuts and untreated abscesses on its body.

The dog was taken to an emergency vets in Whitburn however, despite their best efforts, the dog sadly had to be euthanised the following day.

PC Kat MacKay of Bathgate Police Station said: "We are very grateful to the public for their support and assistance with our investigation.

"A 41-year-old man has now been charged in connection with this and is expected to appear at Livingston Sheriff Court on Monday 22nd October."