

## Dogs West Member Submission on STOP PUPPY FARMING



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Prefix or Member #	
Breed(s)	Border Collies
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Years involved	50
Family involved?	⊠ Yes □ No
My thoughts on: Transition pet shops to adoption centres (can only sell dogs sourced from rescues).	No dogs should be sold in pet shops. Rescue dogs have been traumatised as it is. Only DVDs of dogs should be shown in a pet shop then the prospective purchaser goes to where the puppy or adult is, if a sale is successful the pet shop receives a commission
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	It is wrong to consider mandatory de sexing from both a proven health perspective and the rights of the owners of the dog being infringed. At the least all members of ANKC and their member bodies should be exempt
My thoughts on: Introduce a centralised registration system and Council registration to be a Breeder.	I have canvassed various shires and the method of registration varies but all require very stringent conditions and then do not guarantee granting of a licence. The people who will benefit from this are the puppy farmers, they can afford the properties and the conditions. All breeders of any dogs though should belong to the ANKC or member body this would stop them breeding too many dogs
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.	Just because people want to keep their dogs entire does not mean they wish to breed from them there should be no mandatory de sexing. Although I agree with minimum standard of housing it is impossible to police. Transporting dogs from over East to be sold in pet shops should be banned along with pet shop sales