

Dogs West Member Submission on STOP PUPPY FARMING



Name	
Email address	
Prefix or Member #	
Breed(s)	Shetland Sheepdog
Phone Number	
Years involved	20+ years
Family involved?	🛛 Yes 🗆 No
My thoughts on:	I do not think Pet shops should sell puppies or dogs.
Transition pet shops to adoption centres (can only sell dogs sourced from rescues).	I do not believe pet shops should be handling rescues either – it is not the right place to have them.
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	No mandatory desexing. We think desexing should be done when it is the right time for the dog if it is to be desexed. Young dogs should not be desexed . I do not see how this will stop puppy farmers who don't abide by any laws now.
My thoughts on: Introduce a centralised registration system to identify every dog and puppy.	No, I do not think this is necessary. How will this stop puppy farming? All our dogs are registered and are on the Dogs West registration system. I do not think we should have to register as breeders with the Council – we are registered with Dogs West and have strict rules to follow.
<i>My thoughts on:</i> Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.	Food, water, clean proper shelter. Dogs West has a strong code of ethics that we must follow. Noone can mistreat a dog.