

Dogs West Member Submission on STOP PUPPY FARMING



Name	Ruth Watt
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Prefix or Member #	
Breed(s)	Great Dane
Phone Number	
Years involved	5
Family involved?	⊠ Yes □ No
My thoughts on: Transition pet shops to adoption centres (can only sell dogs sourced from rescues).	Pet shops must stop selling <u>ALL</u> companion animals.
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory dog de-sexing.	As owners of Giant breed, there must be an allowance to de-sex Great Danes (and other Giant Breeds) at an age where they have stopped growing. De-sexing under the age of 12-18 months is detrimental to their health.
My thoughts on: Introduce a centralised registration system to identify every dog and puppy.	I don't believe a Central registry can be policed efficiently. Keep registrations with local councils and set state regulations so all councils are covering the same laws.
My thoughts on: Introduce mandatory standards for dog breeding, housing, husbandry, transport and sale.	Dogs in the home in my opinion. Better socialised. Exposed to an environment that they will be in when they go to their forever home. Mine are part of our family and treated as such.