## **Data Protection Impact Assessment**

# Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill



Title of proposal:	ANIMALS AND WILDLIFE (PENALTIES, PROTECTIONS AND POWERS)
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Is your proposal primary legislation, secondary legislation or a statutory measure?	Primary legislation
Name of primary legislation your	Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections
measure is based on (if applicable)	and Powers) (Scotland) Bill, will amend
	the Animal Health and Welfare
	(Scotland) Act 2006
	the Animal Health Act 1981 and
	various Wildlife legislation.
What stage is your legislation or	30 <sup>th</sup> September - introduction to Parliament
statutory measure at and what are your	October 2020 – in force
timelines?	
Have you consulted with the ICO using	Sent Enquiry form to ICO on 3 July 2019 in line
the Article 36(4) form (please provide a	with Article 36(4) of the GDPR (copy of the
link to it)?	draft is included in this DPIA in Annex A)
If the ICO has provided feedback, please include this.	Annex B
Have you held a public consultation	Yes
yet?	
Were there any comments/feedback	No
from the public consultation about	
privacy, information or data protection?	

Version	Details of update	Version complete by	Completion Date
1.0	To mitigate or reduce risk	Jonathan MacLure	1.7.2019
1.1	To comply with GDPR and Data Protection Law	Ellie Robertson	8.7.2019
1.2	Redraft / clarification	Jonathan MacLure	9.7.2019

	Question	Comments
	Article 35(7)(a) – "purposes of the processing, including, where applicable, the legitimate	
inter	rest pursued by the controlle	<i>,</i>
	What issue/public need is the proposal seeking to address? What objective is the legislation trying to meet?	Simplify and improve the enforcement of existing legislation to further protect animals in Scotland.

Article 35(7)(c) "assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects" and Article 35(7)(b) "...necessity and proportionality of the processing operations"

Does your proposal relate to the collection of personal data? If so, please explain how and what kind of personal data it might involve.

Please also specify if this personal data will be sensitive or special category data or criminal convictions or offences?

(Note: 'special categories' means personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or data about a person's sex life or sexual orientation and sensitive personal data means criminal information or history)

# A. The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare and animal health offences

The Bill will give the Scottish Ministers powers to make regulations providing for fixed penalty notices to be issued in respect of certain animal welfare and animal health offences (as an alternative to initiating proceedings for the criminal offence(s) concerned). No data processing will be required until regulations are made under those powers, after the Bill is passed.

No processing of personal data will be required to exercise the power to make the regulations. Processing will only be required to give effect to any future FPN regime(s) created in future regulations. A data protection impact assessment will be carried out if and when such future regulations are made.

## B. Powers for enforcement authorities to make arrangements for animals previously taken into care on welfare grounds

Exercise of the powers over animals to be inserted into the 2006 Act by section 11 of the Bill will involve the service of notices on the owner of the animal in question. The person who is exercising the power may not be the person that took the animal from its owner.

The exercise of any one of the powers over animals may therefore require the collection, storage, use and sharing of personal data in relation to the identity and address of the owner of the animal in question. The new powers are to be made available to inspectors, constables and other persons authorised by the Scottish Ministers.

In order to decide, after the taking of any of the steps mentioned in the new section 32A (2) of the 2006 Act, whether to pay compensation to the owner of the animal immediately or to defer payment of such compensation, the person who has exercised the power may seek to acquire information regarding the status of any criminal prosecution against the owner of the animal. This is because deferral of payment of the compensation amount may only take place when the owner of the animal is being prosecuted or is considered to be at risk of prosecution for certain animal welfare offences.

Article 35(7)(a) "purposes of the processing, including, where applicable, the legitimate interest pursued by the controller" and Article 35(7)(b) "...necessity and proportionality of the processing operations"

How will your proposal engage with Article 8 ECHR? How will your proposal balance rights and requirements with Article 8 rights? If impinging on Article 8 rights, what is your justification for doing so why is it necessary?

## Article 8 ECHR: Right to respect for private and family life

- 1. Everyone has the right to respect for his private and family life, his home and his correspondence.
- 2. There shall be no interference by a public authority with the exercise of this right except such as is in accordance with the law and is necessary in a democratic society in the interests of national security, public safety or the economic well-being of the country, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health or morals, or for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others.

Since data may be processed as a result of the Bill's provisions, article 8 may be engaged.

The provisions of the Bill regarding fixed penalty notices (section A above) will not involve the processing of personal data. The data protection implications of any future regulations made under the provisions will be assessed at the time of making the regulations.

In the case of the powers over animals (section B above), the processing is necessary in furtherance of the overall purpose of enhancing the welfare of animals. Any processing carried out will be carried out in accordance with the law. The powers to make arrangements for animals taken into possession (and the consequential need to process data in pursuance of those powers) will only be carried out when the specific requirements set out on the face of the Bill are met.

In addition, the data concerned will be processed in accordance with the requirements of the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018. There is a lawful basis for the processing – that the processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller – and the data protection principles will be adhered to.

Article 35(7)(b) "...necessity and proportionality of the processing operations"
Article 35(7)(c) "assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects"
Article 35(7)(d) "measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of personal data and to demonstrate compliance with [GDPR] taking into account the rights and legitimate interests of data subjects and other persons concerned"
Note Article 32 GDPR for s.4 also

Will your proposal require you to regulate:
□ technology
<ul> <li>behaviour of individuals using technology</li> </ul>
□ technology suppliers
□ technology infrastructure
□ information security

(Non-exhaustive examples might include whether your proposal requires online surveillance, regulation of online behaviour, the creation of centralised databases accessible by multiple organisations, the supply or creation of particular

Scottish Government will not be directly involved in sharing any data relating to the Bill provisions. Existing arrangements between authorities will remain the same, and will involve the use of technology to record information.

	technology solutions or platforms, or any of the areas covered in questions 4a or 4b.)	
4a	Please explain how your proposal will regulate behaviour using technology or the use of technology.  Please consider/address any issues involving:  Identification of individuals online (directly or indirectly, including the combining of information that allows for identification of individuals);  Surveillance (necessary or unintended);  Tracking of individuals online, including tracking behaviour online;  Profiling;  Collection of 'online' or other technology-based evidence  Artificial intelligence (AI);  Democratic impacts e.g. public services that can only be accessed online, voting, digital services that might exclude individuals or groups of individuals  (Non-exhaustive examples might include online hate speech, use of systems, platforms for delivering public services, stalking or other regulated behaviour that might engage collection of evidence from online use, registers of people's information, or other technology proposals that impact on online safety, online behaviour, or engagement with public services or democratic processes.)	No proposals to "regulate behaviour using technology." All Existing processes for reporting and investigating animal health & welfare and wildlife crime complaints, will involve Police Scotland, Local authorities and the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Scottish SPCA).
4b	Will your proposal require establishing or change to an established public register (e.g. Accountancy in Bankruptcy, Land Register etc.) or other online service/s?	No
Article 35(7)(b) "necessity and proportionality of the processing operations"  Article 35(7)(c) "assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects"  *Note exemptions from GDPR principles where applicable		
5	Please provide details of whether your proposal will involve the collection or storage of evidence or investigatory powers (e.g. fraud, identify theft, misuse of public funds, criminal activity, witness information, online behaviour, victim information or other monitoring of online behaviour)	Yes. The investigation of animal health & welfare and wildlife crime complaints will continue as it currently does; with the addition of the new penalties, FPN & disposal regimes detailed in 2 above.
Article 35(7)(b) "necessity and proportionality of the processing operations"  Article 35(7)(c) "assessment of the risks to the rights and freedoms of data subjects"  Article 35(7)(d) "measures envisaged to address the risks, including safeguards, security measures and mechanisms to ensure the protection of personal data and to demonstrate		

compliance with [GDPR] taking into account the rights and legitimate interests of data subjects and other persons concerned"			
6	Would your proposal affect a specific group e.g. children, vulnerable individuals, elderly people? (Please specify)	No	
7	Will your Bill necessitate the sharing of information to meet the objectives of your proposal?	As described in section 2 above, the new powers over animals may involve the sharing of information between the authorised person	
	If so, are the appropriate legal gateways for sharing personal data included?	and other persons (such as inspectors, constables and the prosecutors). Such sharing is	
	Would your proposal benefit from appointing or specifying Data Controllers/creating obligations in law for responsibility for managing personal data?	considered to be processing for the exercise of a function conferred on a person by an enactment or rule of law and	
	(Please provide details of data sharing, e.g. if there is a newly established organisation, if it is new sharing with an already established third	therefore capable of being carried out under the GDPR.	
	party organisation, if it is with a specified individual or class of individuals, or any other information about the sharing provision/s.)	No new data sharing arrangements should be required, as the authorities have undertaken animal welfare investigations in a similar way throughout the existence of the 2006 Act.	
		It is not the intention to create new obligations for managing personal data, assuming that this is done correctly at present by the relevant authorities.	
8	Is there anything potentially controversial or of significant public interest in your policy proposal?	No. The data sharing currently relates to the investigation of an animal health & welfare or wildlife	
	Are there any potential unintended consequences with regards to the provisions e.g. would unintended surveillance or profiling be an	complaint, which may or may not result in a criminal conviction.	
	outcome of information collection provisions; will the public's personal information have appropriate safeguards – could those safeguards interfere with the ability to investigate crime or protect the public etc. Please provide details about how you are balancing competing interests where they relate to personal data.	It is not expected that the new powers in the Bill will affect the detection or investigation of these issues.	
9	Will any of the provisions affect/engage ECHR rights in addition to Article 8 e.g.: Article 6 right to a fair trial (and rights of the accused)	No	
	Article 10 right to freedom of expression Article 14 rights prohibiting discrimination Or any other convention or treaty rights?		

-	10	Are there legacy provisions in other legislation that need to be addressed/repealed etc. in your current proposal?	No. Existing powers in legislation will continue to be in force, in along with the new Bill provisions
		(This might include, for example, the creation of statutory regulations (which would need enabling powers in Bills; or provisions repealing older legislation; or reference to existing powers (e.g. police or court powers etc.).	
	11	Will this proposal necessitate an associated code of conduct?  If so, what will be the status of the code of conduct (statutory, voluntary etc.)?	No. Existing codes of conduct / data sharing arrangements will remain in place.

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12	Do you need to specify a Data Controller/s?	No. Scottish Government will not be directly involved with data sharing.
13	Do you need to include information collection duties or powers (legal basis for processing)?	No.
14	Do you need to include explicit information sharing provisions (as related to duties, legal gateways, express powers):  o From one public sector organisation to another public sector organisation;  o From a public sector organisation to a private sector organisation, charity, etc.;  o Between public sector organisations;  o Between individuals (e.g. practitioners/ service users/sole traders etc.);  o Upon request from a nominated (or specified) organisation?	No
15	Have you included any safeguards for personal data/interference with Article 8 rights?	No
16	Have you included any safeguards for personal data/interference with other rights?	No
17	Will the collection of personal data affect decisions made about individuals, groups or categories of persons, or might provisions result in the denial of a right or rights?	Yes. May result in criminal conviction.

#### **Authorisation**

The DPIA report should be signed by your Information Asset Owner (IAO). The IAO will be the Deputy Director or Head of Division or the relevant person in the business area sponsoring the Bill/proposals.

Before signing the DPIA report, an IAO should ensure that she/he is satisfied that the impact assessment is robust and has addressed all the relevant issues.

By signing the DPIA report, the IAO is confirming that the impact of the policy has been sufficiently assessed against individuals' right to privacy.

The results of the impact assessment must be published in the eRDM with the phrase "Legislation DPIA" and the name of the project or initiative in the title.

Details of any relevant information asset must be added to the Information Asset Register, with a note that a DPIA has been conducted.

## I confirm that the impact of the Bill provisions has been sufficiently assessed against the needs of the privacy duty:

Name and job title of a IAO or equivalent	Date each version authorised
Sheila Voas,	V1.2 – 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2019
Chief Veterinary Officer (Scotland) and Deputy Director of the Animal Health & Welfare Division, Scottish Government	

## Annex A: Article 36(4) Enquiry Form

Form	
This form is for public authorities that are developing a legislative proposal or statutory guidance that	
relates to personal data. It will provide a template for you to enter information relevant to Article 36(4	
of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) in order to streamline the process of consulting	
with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).	
Title of proposal:	Working title: Animal Health and Welfare Amendment
	(Scotland) Bill
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Is your proposal primary	Primary legislation
legislation, secondary legislation	
or a statutory measure?	
Name of primary legislation your	Animal Health & Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006
measure is based on (if	
applicable)	
Provide a broad summary of which	Two elements of the proposed Bill will relate to personal data.
aspects of your proposal relate to	
personal data	The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by
	regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed
	penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare (and
	possibly animal health) offences
	The exercise of the power will not, of itself, require the use of
	personal data. However, it is anticipated that any such power
	may be used in future to make regulations which set out the
	circumstances in which, and procedure by which, an enforcing
	authorities may serve an FPN, including the content of any
	such notice. Any such future regulations would be intended to
	make it easier for enforcement authorities to enforce and
	secure compliance with the offences referred to above (as an
	alternative to initiating proceedings for a criminal offence). If
	such regulations are made in future, then an enforcing authority
	is likely to need to collect, use, store and/or share some
	personal data (such as the name and address of the person on
	whom the notice is to be served). However, no processing of
	personal data will be needed to exercise the power to make the
	regulations themselves.
	Powers for enforcement authorities to make alternative
	arrangements for animals previously taken into care on
	welfare grounds
	The exercise of any such powers by an enforcement authority
	is likely to involve the service of notices at premises or places
	connected with the animal. Any such notices may both identify
	the alleged offence to which the notice relates and the name
	and address of the individual suspected of committing the
	offence. The exercise of this power is therefore likely to require

What stage is your legislation or statutory measure at and what are your timelines?	the collection, storage, use and sharing of personal data relating to the owners of, and persons connected with, animals taken into care for animal welfare reasons. The new powers are likely to be made available to inspectors, constables and other persons authorised by the Scottish Ministers.  The legislation is currently being drafted. It is anticipated that a near-final draft will be agreed by end August 2019, and that (subject to approval) a final version might be introduced to Parliament by end September 2019.
Question	Comments
What issue/public need is the proposal seeking to address?	Animal welfare
Does your proposal create a new power or obligation for the processing of personal data?	The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare (and possibly animal health) offences
	The exercise of new power to make regulations will not itself require the processing of personal data. However, where the power is used to make regulations, the exercise of any powers conferred by the regulations on an enforcing authority is likely to involve the collection, use, storage and sharing of information about the suspected commission of an offence (including the name, address and other personal information about the person suspected of having committed the offence) in relation to service of FPNs. Such information might, for example, be shared between inspectors, constables, other persons that are empowered to serve FPNs. In addition, where are person fails to comply with a FPN, to enforce the offence in question, the enforcing authority might need to share information about persons suspected of committing animal welfare offences (and related evidence) with the Crown Office & Procurator fiscal Service (COPFS). For example, the fact that somebody has or has not paid a fixed penalty may be communicated to the COPFS.
	Powers for enforcement authorities to make alternative arrangements for animals previously taken into care on welfare grounds
	A person exercising any such powers will likely need to keep a record of the addresses at which the original notices are served. Further, it is proposed that the person exercising the power will be required to investigate the identity and address of the owner of the animal prior to exercise of the power. The power to make arrangements in relation to the animal will not necessarily be exercised by the person who took the animal into possession. It is accordingly anticipated that information about the ownership of the animal (including the name and address of the person understood to be its owner) will be shared between those who originally took the animal into possession and those who are exercising the new power. It is anticipated that it should be possible for the various notices to

	be served at the address of the registered keeper held by the DVLA in relation to a vehicle in which the animal was being transported at the time it was taken into possession. Accordingly, exercise of the powers may involve sharing of DVLA information regarding the identity and address of the registered keeper of the vehicle. (The sharing of information by the DVLA is permitted by regulation 27 of the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulation 2002).
Does your proposal relate to the collection of personal data?	The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare (and possibly animal health) offences
	If the new power is used to make provision for FPNs, personal data will need to be collected in the course of investigating whether there is sufficient evidence that an animal welfare offence has been committed in order for an FPN to be served. Such collection of personal data is required at present in relation to investigation of whether an offence has been committed for the purposes of bringing prosecutions for animal welfare offences.
	Powers for enforcement authorities to make alternative arrangements for animals previously taken into care on welfare grounds
	When exercising the new powers, personal data will need to collected in relation to service of notices.
If you've answered yes to the above question, what data items might this include?	Name, address, phone number, description, case background, evidence, details of offence or any conduct giving rise to animal being taken into possession fir animal welfare reasons.
And is this information collected directly from the data subject or from elsewhere? Please provide further details.	The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare (and possibly animal health) offences
	If future regulations are made under the new power, the expectation is that information could be collected from the data subject, local authorities, inspectors, the police and the Scottish SPCA.
	Powers for enforcement authorities to make alternative arrangements for animals previously taken into care on welfare grounds
	It is anticipated that personal information could be collected from inspectors, the police, the Scottish SPCA, local authorities and, in limited circumstances, the DVLA.
Would your proposal affect a specific group? E.g. children, vulnerable individuals, elderly?	No

Does your proposal relate to the The conferral of a power on the Scottish Minsters to, by processing 'special categories' of regulations, enable enforcement authorities to serve fixed personal data, or 'criminal penalty notices (FPNs) in relation to animal welfare (and convictions or offences data'? By possibly animal health) offences 'special categories' we mean personal data revealing racial or The power conferred by the Bill, and the exercise of that power ethnic origin, political opinions, to make regulations, will not require the processing of any religious or philosophical beliefs. special categories of personal data or criminal convictions or or trade union membership, and offences. processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of If regulations are made in exercise of the power, it is possible uniquely identifying a natural that, in the exercise of any functions conferred by such person, data concerning health or regulations on an enforcing authority, the authority might wish data about a person's sex life or to take into account whether a FPN has previously been served sexual orientation. on an individual. However the Bill will not, of itself, make any such regulatory provision. Powers for enforcement authorities to make alternative arrangements for animals previously taken into care on welfare grounds No, the processing of such data will not be required. Does your proposal involve the The exercise of new powers by enforcement authorities to sharing of personal data with make alternative arrangements for animals previously taken another government department into care on welfare grounds, is likely to involve the sharing of personal data (the particular details of which might not have or 3rd party that you were not previously sharing with? been previously shared), but the personal data will be of the same type as is currently shared within the Scottish administration and with other parties in the exercise of broadly equivalent existing powers in Part 2 of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006. Is there anything potentially No. controversial or of significant public interest in your policy proposal? Have you conducted a data A data protection impact assessment is being carried out. protection impact assessment on your proposed legislation?

## Annex B: ICO Response, Received 9th July 2019

#### Dear Jonathan

Thank you for your email and the further information you provided on 4 July 2019 regarding the Animal Health & Welfare (Scotland) Act - Amendment Bill. In doing so, you have fulfilled your obligation under Article 36(4) of the GDPR to consult the Information Commissioner.

Thank you for providing us with the opportunity to comment on the proposals, but, having considered the submission, and with particular reference to the Information Commissioner's regulatory priorities, we do not wish to provide any further input at this time.

### Regards

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