Opening Statement, Horse Care Ireland, 01.06.21

IRRESPOSIBLE OWNERSHIP

OF

UNIDENTIFIED ANIMALS



- **1.** No animal identification\ cost prohibitive, out dated, Poor compliance 50%?.
- 2. No owner/keeper \ Not known, Not Responsible, Still, breeding, buying, selling.
- 3 No location \ No known premises number.
- 4. No change of ownership \ cannot occur as animal is unidentified .
- 5. No census date \A census date is the ultimate policing tool only if the Person, Place and animal is all in one.
- 6. No DNA/ microchip \The animal's passport can only be created by using a microchip and DNA.

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- 7. No funeral expenses\ The tax payer has an un known liability at end of life.
- 8. No traceability \ In the event of an outbreak of disease or theft.

Horse care Ireland members as well as everyone else, has seen the brutal equine welfare cases aired on numerous Tv, channels, print media and social media outlets. People have also seen and heard about cruelty and neglect of dogs. The farming community has seen first, hand the shocking attacks on sheep and the worrying of other farm animals by out of control dogs. It was during discussions in relation to these problems that the concept of an online passport as part of a central database giving traceability, security and responsibility to the owner plus improving animal welfare for all the animals.

The online passport is similar to all other farm animal identifications, with one powerful addition of DNA being used to identify and trace all canine and equine animals dead or alive. This system puts a person and a location with every animal. It can be policed from a central location using the annual census date, other farm inspections and local authories.