

## Verbal Submission

Name: James West

Date: 1 August 2018, 3pm

Dog owner

Owner of livestock working dog

Farmer

Confirmed that submission can be published with name

### **Mandatory de-sexing**

- Against castration of older dogs.
- Exemption for livestock working dogs (that are provided to other farmers and bred for livestock working dog purposes).
- Justification: mandatory de-sexing will limit the gene pool of livestock working dogs. They are only bred if they have particular traits. They are only bred once or twice if they are bred. Many farming families have a long history of breeding livestock working dogs and are doing so responsibly.

### **Centralised registration system**

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