Appendix 2

Current CBC Animal Licence Conditions
(Cabinet report on proposal to update and adopt animal licencing conditions)

PET ANIMALS ACT 1951
Conditions in respect of a licence for pet vending.

1. Animals shall at all times be kept in accommodation that is adequate in construction, size, amenities and position in the premises.

2. Where animals are kept in cages, hutches, boxes or other receptacles which are placed on top of other cages, hutches, boxes or receptacles, effective means should be provided for preventing water, food or other droppings falling onto or contaminating the animals’ food or other surrounds which are underneath.

3. Animals shall be adequately supplied with suitable food and drink and shall be visited at suitable intervals. All accommodation shall be cleaned daily or as often as is necessary.

4. No mammal shall be sold unweaned or, if weaned, at any age at which it should not have been weaned.

5. No animal shall be displayed in a cage, hutch, box or other receptacle in such a position that it can be interfered with by other animals or unauthorised persons.

6. Animals shall not be displayed for sale outside the premises during unsuitable weather.

7. All excreta and soiled bedding shall be stored in suitably covered metal or other impervious containers until removed from the premises as soon as practicable and disposed of to the satisfaction of the appropriate local authority. All refuse containers shall be maintained in a clean condition.

8. All necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent the introduction or harbourage of rodents, insects and any other pests to the premises.

9. All animal foods shall be stored in suitable covered metal or other impervious closed containers so that the quality of the food can be preserved. These containers should be of such design as to allow easy cleaning.

10. Animals shall not be handed to customers in unsuitable containers.

11. The licensee shall ensure that a responsible person shall at all times be in, or within reasonable distance from the premises for the purpose of giving warning and taking other necessary steps in the event of fire or other emergency. In case of absence of the responsible resident, the licensee shall appoint a responsible person residing within a reasonable distance of the premises to have custody of a duplicate key. The name, address and telephone number
of such persons shall be displayed in legible characters on the front door or window of the premises and shall be notified to the local fire brigade and police.

12. Animals and stock shall not be kept in or outside the shop so as to obstruct entrance to or exit from the shop in the case of fire or other emergency.

13. Fire fighting equipment, including extinguishers, shall be provided as approved by the chief fire officer and shall be sited as so directed by him. The licensee shall ensure that the fire appliances remain accessible and maintained in a good condition.

14. No animal which is suffering from, or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animal suffering from any infectious or contagious disease or which is infested with parasites shall be brought into or kept on the premises unless effectively isolated.

15. The maximum numbers and types of animals permitted to be kept on the premises to which the licence refers are as set out above and shall not be exceeded.

16. The numbers of animals which may be kept on the premises must be displayed on the premises.

17. Exhibition animals kept in the shop should be considered as requiring proper accommodation and any animals not for sale should have a note stating that fact.

18. No animals shall be directly imported except by licensees who have satisfied the local authority as to their ability to quarantine or handle consignments of animals under suitable conditions.

19. A register of animals shall be kept by the proprietor of the pet shop which must be produced on demand by the authorised inspector.

20. Pet shops selling animals on the schedule to the Dangerous Wild Animals Act should ascertain that the buyer is licensed or duly authorised to keep such animals.

21. Pet Trade and Industry Association Pet Care leaflets or other similar written instructions shall be made available to all purchasers of animals.

22. Purchasers of accessories shall, when necessary, be given proper advice on their maintenance and use.

23. No animal must be sold to any juvenile under the age of 16 years unless that person is known to the retailer, or accompanied by a parent or a legal guardian, or provides appropriate written consent. If the juvenile is known to the retailer and is over 12 years old then a sale of an animal can take place if the retailer is satisfied that:
   (i) the parent/guardian would not object to the acquisition;
   (ii) the juvenile is sufficiently knowledgeable as to the animal’s needs and care;
(iii) the juvenile’s intention towards the acquisition is consistent with the well being of the animal.

**Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963**

**Cheltenham Borough Council Conditions of Licence**

1. No animal shall be kept in a cage, hutch, box or other receptacle in such position as to expose it to interference or annoyance by persons or animals.

2. Animals shall at all times be kept in accommodation suitable as respects construction, size of quarters, number of occupants, exercising facilities, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness.

3. Animals shall be adequately supplied with suitable food, drink and bedding material, adequately exercised and (so far as necessary) visited at suitable intervals.

4. Animals shall not be placed or kept in or outside the premises so as to render ingress and egress difficult in case of fire or other emergency.

5. The Licensee shall ensure that a responsible person shall at all times be in or within a reasonable distance from the premises for the purpose of giving warning and taking other necessary steps in the event of fire or other emergency. In the case of premises which are lock-up, outside business hours, the Licensee shall appoint a responsible person residing within a reasonable distance to the premises to have custody of the key. The name and address of such person shall be displayed in legible characters on the front door, or windows of the premises, and be notified to the local Fire Brigade. A supply of water and sand and/or an efficient fire extinguisher must always be available on the premises.

6. No animal which is suffering from or could reasonably be suspected of having come into contact with any other animals suffering from any infectious disease, shall be brought or kept on the premises unless it is properly isolated from the other animals therein.

7. Where animals are kept in cages, hutches, boxes or other receptacles placed on top of other cages, hutches, boxes or other receptacles, effective means shall be provided for preventing water, food or other droppings falling on to or contaminating the animals or other surroundings which are underneath.

8. A register shall be kept containing a description of any animals received into the establishment.

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