## **Consultation Responses Log**

Response	Summary of points raised	Amendment to Draft Policy
Response 1	Paragraph 9.3 relates to taking samples and anything more than a pin prick should be completed by a veterinary surgeon rather than a lay inspector.	The intention was for any samples to be taken by a veterinary surgeon but the Policy has been amended to make this clearer.
Response 2	Full support of the introduction of the Policy	No amendment to the Policy.
Response 3	Concern that a new licensing regime was being introduced when one had only been introduced in 2018.	Provided clarification that this isn't a new licensing regime but is the introduction of a Policy to support the 2018 Regulations. Confirmed their existing licence will continue.  No amendment to the Policy.
Response 4	Clarification as to how the business element is defined in particular for dog breeding.	Advised that each case is decided on its own merits taking into account the HMRC's Nine Badges of Trade in addition to the guidance issued by DEFRA.  No amendment to the Policy.
Response 5	Concerns that the Policy doesn't include the definition of dog breeding and as to when a licence is required.	The definition of dog breeding is defined in the 2018 Regulations and is detailed on the Council's website. As the 2018 Regulations are subject to regular change, it was decided not to include the definitions in the Policy as the Policy would need updating every time a change to the definition is made.

## **APPENDIX 1**

		No amendment to the Policy.
Response 6	Clarification as to how many dogs can be kept in kennels and how many dogs can one person keep to breed.	Advised that each premises is different depending on their set up but the numbers for boarding and breeding are determined by an Officer at inspection using the Guidance produced by DEFRA.
	The Council should include the definition of dog breeding in the Policy.	The definition of dog breeding is defined in the 2018 Regulations and is detailed on the Council's website. As the 2018 Regulations are subject to regular change, it was decided not to include the definitions in the Policy as the Policy would need updating every time a change to the definition is made.
		No amendment to the Policy