

*These notes refer to the Control of Horses Act 2014
(c.3) which received Royal Assent on 27 January 2014*

CONTROL OF HORSES ACT 2014

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 2 – Power of local authority to seize horses

3. A local authority has the power to seize and impound a horse which is on the highway or any other public place the local authority has responsibility for. It also has this power if a horse is on other land in its area without the consent of the occupier of that land, as long as the occupier agrees to the local authority seizing and impounding it. The local authority must have reasonable grounds to believe the horse is on the land without lawful authority before it can use these powers.