

*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**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Section 4 – Costs of seizure etc.***

8. The owner is liable to pay the local authority any costs reasonably incurred in the seizure and impounding of the horse and in feeding and maintaining it while it has been impounded. The Act does not require the local authority to return the horse until such costs incurred are paid. General law requires the horse to be looked after while under local authority care.
9. The local authority must give notice to the owner of the amount it considers the owner is liable to pay with an explanation of how the amount has been determined.
10. That notice must also inform the owner that they have a right to refer a dispute as to the costs claimed by the local authority to the Welsh Ministers and to inform them how they may exercise that right.