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Trophy dogs & Imported Puppies





What is a Trophy Dog

- A Dog described by the DDA 1991 sec 1
- Any type of Bull Breed or Bull Breed cross
- Any large dog that is aggressive or used to intimidate.
- Any dog held or controlled by anyone under the age of 19, predominantly male, wearing a hoodie

Trophy Dogs











Who has Trophy Dogs?

- Under 16’s ?
- Under 21’s ?
- Male/Female?
- Gang members?
- In Social Housing?
- Criminals?
- Educationally challenged?

Who has Trophy Dogs







Why do people still have Trophy Dogs

- To intimidate others
- To get away with crime
- But some are responsible dog owners
- Enjoyment of the Bull Breeds
- Freedom of choice

Where will I encounter Trophy Dogs

- Parks
- Commons
- Communal areas of estates
- Within the curtailage of a block
- On the street
- At a local dog training establishment.

Part Two
Illegally imported puppies











Illegally imported puppies

- What is the current situation?
- What is the minimum age of entry to the UK?
- How do they get through the border checks?
- How are these puppies sold?

Case study:
Sonata Sakaluskaite



Case of: Sonata Sakaluskaite

- Rented from a council leaseholder
- Advertised on Gumtree and other free ad sites
- Sold puppies for between £600 and £1,000
- No care for welfare of dogs or spread of disease.

Case of: Sonata sakalauskaite



Case of: Sonata Sakalauskaite

- Problems with the passport?
- The age not matching the expected weight



Case of: Sonata Sakalauskaite

What are the risks?

- Rabbies
- Other zoonotic illnesses
- Disruption to the puppies development
- Welfare of the dogs

Have you already been exposed to the risks?

- Do you know the provenance of all of the dogs that you walk?
- Do you have any dogs in your pack that have been imported?
- Do you know what they have been immunised against?

Case of Sonata Sakalauskaite

What action did we take?

Pet shop licensing Act

(Max fine £500.00)

Conclusion

- What is the risk to your dogs from other park users and their dogs?

- Is the risk already within your pack, and how will it effect other park users?

Questions ?





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