



**This consultation is seeking views on the proposal to amend livestock identification, registration and movement reporting in Wales.**

### **Consultation Response Form**

<b>Name</b>	<b>British Veterinary Association</b>
<b>Organisation (if applicable)</b>	British Veterinary Association  The British Veterinary Association (BVA) is the national representative body for the veterinary profession in the United Kingdom. With over 18,000 members, our primary aim is to represent, support and champion the interests of the United  i

1.2	<p><b>Are there any situations where it is not possible to record the destination CPH? If so, can any steps be taken so this information can be provided?</b></p> <p>We are not aware of any situations in which it would not be possible to record the destination CPH. This requirement is already in place for movement of sheep.</p> <p>Additional guidance may be required for recording the movements of animals being sent to market. There will be a need for agents acting on behalf of livestock keepers to ensure all relevant information is available.</p>
1.3	<p><b>Do you have any additional views on this?</b></p>

**Section Two Mandatory journey information for all livestock**

**2.1 Do you support the collection of the haulier and transport details for all livestock movements? Please provide reasons for your view.**

We are supportive of this principle as another measure to help control the spread of disease, improve traceability and protect animal welfare. Any journey can impact on animal welfare or disease risk, so having a complete record is important for managing these.

However, we are concerned that

2.3	Do you have any additional views on this?
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**Section Three Mandatory change to CPRC reporting timescales**

3.1	<p><b>Do you agree with our aspiration to make CPRC same day reporting mandatory? Please provide your reasons for this?</b></p> <p>We support same day reporting, as this would improve traceability and enable quicker action in the control of disease outbreaks.</p> <p>It is important to note that some markets operate over a long time, and some movements take place overnight, so 24 hour reporting would be more appropriate.</p>
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3.2	Do you have any additional views on this?
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**Section Four Voluntary pre-movement reporting for all livestock**

**4.1 Are there any situations where the current paper passport is still required?**

We are concerned that internet accessibility is poor in some areas of Wales, and the reporting system must take this into account. There is also an accessibility issue as

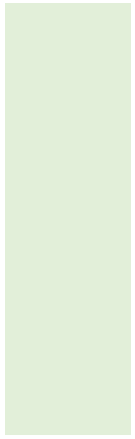
Following Eu-exit, this is a time of significant change and uncertainty for farmers, so it will be important to provide plenty of guidance, training, and support to use the new system.

4.4.	How do you currently report movements and why?			
	Cattle	Online <input type="checkbox"/>	Paper <input type="checkbox"/>	Telephone <input type="checkbox"/>
	Pigs	Online <input type="checkbox"/>	Text <input type="checkbox"/>	Telephone <input type="checkbox"/>
	Sheep	Online <input type="checkbox"/>	Paper <input type="checkbox"/>	









	<p>A study of the way the Welsh pig industry moves its animals and destinations might better inform a risk assessment on the identification method for the fattening pigs, so that any system is efficient and robust enough for public health as well as disease control needs.</p>
<p><b>7.3</b></p>	<p><b>What are the benefits or potential obstacles to pig identification including the herd mark and unique ID number?</b></p> <p>Unique identification will help to improve traceability, animal health and human health standards.</p> <p>However, there is likely to be an issue with retention of ear tags on pigs, as they are likely to chew and destroy these, and making holes could impact on the sale of pigs ears to current markets.</p>
<p><b>7.4.</b></p>	<p><b>Do you have any additional views on this?</b></p>

**Other Questions**

- 8 EIDCymru will be a fully bilingual service. We would like to know your views on the affects you think the extension of EIDCymru and introduction of Bovine EID could have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English. What effects do you think there would be? How positive effects could be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?**

BVA is aware of the Welsh language act and the importance of the Welsh language in Welsh communities. Our high animal health and animal welfare standards rely on effective communication between farmers, their own vets and government vets, for example to enable effective disease surveillance to be carried out. Welsh language is an essential aspect of this communication, and it is important for animal health and welfare that farmers in all parts of Wales are

**10 We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them.**





## Consultation response form (continuation sheets)

Section & Question number:

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