



# VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

(Division of British Veterinary Association)

## Small Animal Veterinarians Contribution to the Wider Society – VPHA's position

By treating an individual animal or a group of animals both clinical and non-clinical veterinarians, working collaboratively with others, contribute to the well being of animals, people and the environment they live and share in the developing and developed world.

**One World=One Health=One Welfare = Veterinary Public Health**



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- **Infection control:** Zoonoses, from the obvious *rabies*, through *leptospirosis*, *campylobacter*, *ringworm*, *echinococcus* etc at animals home and in veterinary practice
- **Pet movements and travel:** Especially focusing on the risk to exotic zoonoses such as leishmaniasis, echinococcus etc.
- **Safe control of pets:** Education on animals' species behaviour /aggression and safe management; pets, exotic pets, wild animals, venomous animals and dog breeding schemes
- **Education on nutrition:** The role of diet (raw/processed) and feeding with its hygiene and infection control issues. The role of obesity in pets and its relationship to human obesity issues.
- **Comparative medicines:** issues and the role of animal disease management in relation to human disease. Potential human disease models in veterinary patients.
- **Medicines control/ Antibiotic resistance:** and safe use. Including **Antibiotic Resistance**. Including other resistance issues such as parasiticide
- **Animal abuse:** management and education on and the crossover link with child/adult abuse