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DUDLEY	
Detail	Further information
<p>Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council – Grazing Land Licence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dudley Council own a number of grazing sites in the borough. When land is available they are able to rent this land out to the public. • Individual's can express interest in a site or a number of sites and they will be added to a waiting list. The Council then notifies the applicant when there is space available. 	<p>https://www.dudley.gov.uk/business/licences-registrations-and-permits/animal-licences/horse-grazing-land-licence/</p>
DURHAM	
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<p>Durham Constabulary – ‘Operation Strawberry’</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed by Officers in Bishop Auckland following concerns over hundreds of horses which were causing havoc for residents. • Officers from the Force teamed up with multiple agencies in November 2018 to launch Operation Strawberry – as a result, the number of incidents dropped from 147 in December 2017 to just 16 in September 2019. • Operation was recognised as best practice by the National Equine Crime Delivery Priority Group and was mentioned at the World Horse Welfare’s 2019 conference, which was live-streamed globally with its president, HRH Princess Anne also in attendance. 	<p>https://www.durham.police.uk/news-and-events/Pages/News%20Articles/Police-operation-receives-national-recognition.aspx</p> <p>https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/16421382.bishop-auckland-police-inundated-calls-loose-horses/</p>

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ESSEX	
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<p>Essex County Council – Introduction of Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper recommending the introduction of a policy for the removal of unauthorised horses from County Council land with immediate effect (July 2015). • Includes proposed policy (Appendix 1). 	<p>https://cmis.essex.gov.uk/essexcmis5/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=JxOx89nSwft7GPF1I4IKvlfcaEaylq%2BeM0Ptid05zoYi6nJ91OL6Cg%3D%3D&rUzwRPf%2BZ3zd4E7lkn8Lyw%3D%3D=pwRE6AGJFLDNih225F5QMaQWCtPHwdhUfCZ%2FLUQzgA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3D%3D&mCTIbCubSFfXsDGW9IXnlq%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&kCx1AnS9%2FpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3D%3D=hFflUdN3100%3D&uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2BAJvYtyA%3D%3D=ctNJFf55vVA%3D&FgPIIEJYlotS%2BYGoBi5olA%3D%3D=NHdURQburHA%3D&d9Qjj0ag1Pd993jsyOJqFvmyB7X0CSQK=ctNJFf55vVA%3D&WGewmoAfeNR9xqBux0r1Q8Za60lavYmz=ctNJFf55vVA%3D&WGewmoAfeNQ16B2MHuCpMRKZMwaG1PaO=ctNJFf55vVA%3D</p>
HAMPSHIRE	
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<p>Hampshire County Council – Website Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council webpage detailing an individual’s rights as a landowner in relation to fly-grazed / trespassing horses. • Includes a link to the laws about grazing or trespassing of horses. 	<p>https://www.hants.gov.uk/business/tradingstandards/consumera dvice/animalhealth/horsesgrazing</p>

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HERTFORDSHIRE	
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<p>Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire – Seminars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioner’s office set-up various seminars for partners across the county to come together to talk through the implications of the Control Of Horses (2015) Act, and also to talk through the responsibilities of respective agencies. Hertfordshire County Council led on writing a protocol, which was heavily influenced by the Safer Communities Lincolnshire policy (see below). 	<p>https://www.hertscommissioner.org/2016-02-joint-action-to-tackle-fly-grazing</p> <p>https://democracy.hertfordshire.gov.uk/Data/County%20Council/201503311000/Agenda/cPY07IOG2bDZ6jCBo88dsuJN2f5e.pdf</p>
LINCOLNSHIRE	
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<p>Safer Communities Lincolnshire – Policy for the Control of Horses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint policy between key agencies including Lincolnshire County Council, City of Lincoln Council, and various District and Borough Councils, as well as Lincolnshire Police. Includes contact details for Police, various Council departments and a welfare agency, as well as links to information, guidance and advice. <p>North Lincolnshire Council – Protocol for Management of Horses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes flowchart on ‘Process for Reporting and Responding to Horse Related Problems’. 	<p>https://www.lincs.police.uk/media/151314/lincolnshire-policy-for-the-control-of-horses.pdf</p> <p>https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Protocol-for-the-Management-of-horses-2016-V2-4.5mb.pdf</p>

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NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	
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<p>Newark & Sherwood District Council and Nottinghamshire County Council – Guidance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joint initiative providing guidance for the management of illegally placed horses. Acknowledgement that parts of the publication “Protocol for managing Horses in North Lincolnshire© 2015” (see above) have been reprinted with kind permission. 	<p>https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/media/newarkandsherwood/imagesandfiles/informationgovernancedc/2017/jan/20160708%20Fly%20Grazing%20Guidance%20MAIN%20DOCUMENT%20%20Version%2016%20-%20LATEST%20CONSULTATION%20COPY.pdf</p>
YORK	
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<p>City of York Council – Protocol for Management of Horses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previously highlighted by Cleveland Police in January 2020. Includes several flowcharts providing clear processes for reporting, responding and removing horses from highways, Council and private land. 	<p>https://democracy.york.gov.uk/documents/s80253/Horse%20Enforcement%20Policy%20-%20Annex%201%20Protocol%20for%20the%20Management%20of%20Horses%20in%20York.pdf</p>