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Exports of live farm animals

Thank you to everyone who has written to me about the exports of live farm animals.

I share the concern of many people that the exports of live farm animals causes great suffering. It is a step in the right direction that that the Government have announced a consultation on ending the exports of live farm animals but this call for evidence does not go far enough.

That is why Labour's Animal Welfare Plan goes much further and proposes a ban on live exports both for slaughter and fattening. This is part of the next stage in Labour's animal welfare agenda and seeks feedback on some of the measures we would seek to bring in under the next Labour government. I would encourage you to have a look at our Animal Welfare Plan and share your views. You can find Labour's 'Animal Welfare For The Many, Not The Few' document [here](#).

Labour has a proud record on animal welfare. From bringing forward the landmark Hunting Act to protecting the treatment of domestic animals under the Animal Welfare Act, Labour has always placed the welfare of animals high on the policy agenda. It is now time to update existing legislation, in order to ensure that we still have the best standards of animal welfare in the world.

Thanks again to all those who have contacted me about the live exports of farm animals.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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