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**Increasing animal cruelty sentences.**

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about increasing animal cruelty sentences.

I am proud that Labour made commitments for ever greater animal protections in our manifesto this year. This includes increasing the maximum sentence for those convicted of committing animal cruelty from sixth months to five years. Labour MPs led by Anna Turley previously tried to pass this into law back in February, only for Conservatives to block the attempt. It is now an official Labour pledge and one a future Labour Government would deliver to make the punishment fit the crime.

I will be keeping constituents updated on this and other animal welfare issues through my Animal Welfare Round-Up, which gets sent out every other month. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please do let me know. Alternatively you can find them on my website [here](#).

Thanks again to everyone who has contacted me about this issue.

Best wishes,

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

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