

*These notes refer to the Animal Welfare Act 2006 (c.45)  
which received Royal Assent on 8 November 2006*

# **ANIMAL WELFARE ACT 2006**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### ***Post-Conviction Powers***

#### ***Section 44: Orders made on conviction for reimbursement of expenses***

180. This section clarifies that where a court makes an order for the care or disposal of an animal under section 33(4)(e), 36(1)(e), 37(3)(e), 38(3)(e) or 39(1), and a person incurs expenses in carrying out that order, their expenses are recoverable as a civil debt. They are not to be treated as a fine imposed on conviction for the purposes of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980.