



# THE IVERS

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## PARISH COUNCIL

### **HORSE TETHERING POLICY**

#### Background

The need for a Council Policy has previously been brought to members' attention (Full Council minute 13, 06/05/14). This is in the light of the prevalence of what is now known as 'fly tethering'. Thames Valley Police and Bucks. County operate a 'green yard/tethering' policy whereby animals may be taken to undisclosed stables whilst matters are dealt with legally.

Thames Valley Police recommend adhering to the suggestions from Redwings Horse Sanctuary and Equine Veterinary Centre ([www.redwings.org.uk](http://www.redwings.org.uk)).

#### Procedure

Those recommendations notwithstanding, The Ivers Parish Council reserves the right to remove horses from its property as soon as is practical, in order to minimise the potential costs involved.

The Ivers Parish Council will erect notices on its land that clearly state the following:

**ANY HORSE FOUND TETHERED OR LOOSE UPON THIS LAND WILL BE REMOVED TO A PLACE OF SAFETY WITHIN 24 HOURS. ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS REMOVAL AND SUBSEQUENT KEEP WILL FALL TO THE OWNER ON RECOVERY. FURTHER, THE IVERS PARISH COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISPOSE OF ANY SUCH ANIMAL ACCORDING TO THE PROFESSIONAL ADVICE IT RECEIVES UPON SEIZURE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE ANIMALS ACT 1971.**

8<sup>th</sup>. July, 2014, following PF&GP 2<sup>nd</sup>. July, 2014, reviewed 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018.