Mr A Huws Principal WOAD2A CP2

SUSPECT BSE IN A HORSE

You will wish to be aware that on Thursday afternoon 25 June the T/DVO Powys received a phone call from a Veterinary Surgeon reporting his suspicion that a horse had contracted BSE after having been fed cattle cake. The clinical symptoms described were similar to those shown by cattle there being a similar case some months ago on the same premises.

The owner's name and address is:

Irene Thomas J Thomas & Company Riding Stables Penybryn Llangorse Brecon

The horse is a 12 year old gelding used for pony trekking.

By yesterday evening the horse was in a comatose state and on humane grounds was destroyed by the Veterinary Surgeon. At his request a full post mortem and laboratory investigation will be carried out at the Carmarthen Veterinary Investigation Centre this morning to ascertain the exact cause; I have been told this will take at least two weeks. Charges to the Veterinary Surgeon have been waived in this instance.

I will inform you immediately I receive a diagnosis.

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CC Mr D R Williams, RVO Mr A R Hunter, SVIO

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