P-06-1253 Ban greyhound racing in Wales

This petition was submitted by Hope Rescue, having collected a total of 35,101 signatures.

Text of Petition:

In Wales we have one independent greyhound track racing once a week. Since April 2018, Hope Rescue & their rescue partners have taken in almost 200 surplus greyhounds from this track, 40 of which sustained injuries. There are plans for the track to become a Greyhound Board of Great Britain track, racing four times a week, greatly increasing the number of surplus dogs & injuries. Greyhound racing is inherently cruel & greyhounds have little legal protection. It is already banned in 41 US states.

Additional Information:

Campaign groups have collated data and evidence of poor welfare within greyhound racing in the U.K.

Alliance Against Greyhound Racing: https://www.aagr.org.uk/category/why-is-greyhound-racing-cruel/

League Against Cruel Sports: https://www.league.org.uk/greyhound-racing

There have also been press articles and undercover investigations in to greyhound racing:

RTE Investigates: Greyhounds Running For Their Lives
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZYTb2qBjlMM

Panorama investigates: Doping and rigging bets
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I0p0bHSkIAk

https://www.theguardian.com/sport/2021/jun/26/activists-renew-calls-to-end-greyhound-racing-as-400-die-despite-lockdowns

https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/greyhounds-being-shipped-pakistan-illegal-23765480

https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/13086085/british-greyhounds-racing-dogs-mass-graves-bolt/

A recent petition is due to be debated in Parliament after securing 104,882 signatures.
https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/554073

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