

## **THE ASSOCIATE PARLIAMENTARY GROUP FOR ANIMAL WELFARE**

*An all party group for members of both houses at Westminster formed to promote and further the cause of animal welfare by all means available to the Parliaments at Westminster and in Europe*

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### **MEMBERSHIP OF PARLIAMENTARY ENQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND WELFARE ANNOUNCED**

Eric Martlew, MP for Carlisle and Chair of the Associate Parliamentary Group for Animal Welfare (APGAW), announced the membership of the parliamentary enquiry which will investigate the issues surrounding the welfare of greyhounds in British racing.

Mr. Martlew said:

“We decided the time was ripe for a parliamentary enquiry following high profile allegations in the *Sunday Times* regarding healthy greyhounds being shot at the end of their racing career. I’m delighted that there are so many senior members of both houses sitting on the enquiry. We will investigate the many issues that affect the welfare of racing greyhounds and, with the co-operation of both the racing industry and welfare groups, we hope to make useful recommendations that will improve the welfare of greyhounds at all stages of their lives”

The enquiry is chaired by Eric Martlew MP and the members of the enquiry are:

- 1 Alan Meale MP
  - 2 Andrew Rosindell MP
  - 3 Baroness Golding
  - 4 Harry Cohen MP
  - 5 Lord Beaumont of Whitley
  - 6 Lord Bradley
  - 7 Lord Hoyle
  - 8 Nick Palmer MP
  - 9 Russell Brown MP
  - 10 Theresa Villiers MP
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