

Dog trainer backs campaign for microchipping

A MARKFIELD dog trainer is backing a campaign to make dog microchipping compulsory.

Steven Havers thinks it is time owners took responsibility for their pets, and is offering his support to an Early Day Motion (EDM) that has been registered in the House of Commons.

Mr Havers said: "Making microchipping compulsory is the first step towards responsible dog ownership. Owners are then attached to that dog, so if it strays or bites someone, the owner can be traced.

"This EDM is the start of making responsible dog ownership a reality. By law you have to tax and insure your car, but there is nothing like that for dog ownership.

"Dogs are all too easy to dispose of if something goes wrong, and far too simple to own in the first place."