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## **Moscow Delegation to Visit London Animal Rescue for Canine Advice**

### **Political figures travel from Russia to the capital for advice on combating over-population and dangerous dog legislation**

Kensal Green – A group of officials from Moscow City Government will be visiting **The Mayhew Animal Home** for a consultation about the work the charity has carried out in areas such as dog-fighting and progressive sterilisation techniques. The home will be discussing stray animal management with the officials and also imparting information about successful veterinary procedures.

The Mayhew Animal Home also works with Brent Council on the BARK initiative (Brent Council for Responsible K9's) and will be meeting with the delegation for a reception with the Mayor and animal welfare services. BARK has pioneered action in the community against irresponsible dog ownership and anti-social behaviour, among other issues.

**When:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2008 3pm

**Where:** Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, Middlesex, HA9 9HD

Mayhew International have worked abroad in Moscow, training vets and setting up clinics to neuter the increasing amount of stray cats and dogs on their streets. Britain itself is struggling with stray animal populations but centres such as The Mayhew are able to employ progressive neutering techniques and work alongside police and Council members to combat the issue. These techniques and initiatives will be discussed with the delegates as recommendations for the suffering animals on the streets of Russia.

The Mayhew's CEO, Caroline Yates, said: "It is a great pleasure to receive the government officials and discuss with them the local government level work that can be done to address stray animal management abroad. Russia is a country close to my heart and as we work closely with vets in Moscow I am pleased to be able to discuss possible remedies for the situation of their stray cats and dogs."

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For the Editor:

**The Mayhew Animal Home** was established in 1886 for the benefit of "the lost and starving dogs and cats of London so that they should have sanctuary from the cold inhumanity they are being dealt outside". Today, The Mayhew is one of the busiest animal sanctuaries in London, rescuing thousands of animals from cruelty and neglect each year. We provide shelter and care for cats, dogs, rabbits and when the need arises, for a wide variety of other animals.

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