In **farming**, we must move away from the intensification and industrialisation of animal farming. Sustainable farming means animals freed from cages and returned to the land. We will end factory farming and enforce strict animal welfare standards. In particular we will work for:

A complete ban on *cages* for *hens and rabbits* and on zero-grazing units for dairy cows.

- Improved food labelling and better traceability of our food to prevent further food scandals such as the horse meat scandal;
 mandatory labelling of meat and dairy products as to method of production and method of slaughter.
- Mandatory CCTV in all slaughterhouses.
- Tougher regulations on animal transportation, including a maximum limit of 8 hours and an end to live export from the UK.
- Action to stop the *overuse of antibiotics* in intensive animal farming, with mandatory targets and surveillance of the human health impacts.
- A ban on the production and sale of *foie gras*.
- A ban on the *cloning* of farm animals and on the sale of meat and milk from these animals.
- Ending genetic selection for fast growth or high yields where this results in compromised welfare such as ill health or pain.
- Protection for British farmers from low-welfare imports.

Joining up the policies

So what do farming, health, insurance and carbon dioxide emissions have to do with each other? Good farming respects ecology, promotes biodiversity and encourages us to get out and enjoy the wildlife and landscape, improving both our mental and our physical health. And local food saves food miles, combating climate change, while good land management can retain water, reducing flooding and our insurance premiums.

Illegal **wildlife trade** is causing great suffering; it devastates species across the globe and is linked to other serious organised crimes. Greens will implement:

- Increased support and resources to build expertise in wildlife crime within the justice sector, including: strengthening sentencing in this area, gathering data on the trade, ensuring police forces implement local strategies and ensuring funding of the Wildlife Crime Unit.
- A ban on the import of exotic pets.
- An end to the keeping of *primates* as household *pets*.
- Enhanced *public education* and awareness to reduce demand.
- Allocation of resources to support other countries in tackling poaching and human/wildlife conflict.

On other animal protection issues we would:

- Maintain and strengthen the ban on hunting with dogs and extend this ban to all hunting of all animals for sport or pleasure.
- End the badger cull (see 'Badger culls' box).
- End the use of snares.
- End the practice of *grouse shooting* and other 'sport' shooting.
- End the use of all animals in circuses.
- End the use of the whip in horse racing and conduct a full review of the sport.
- Take action over other sports or entertainment that cause *suffering to animals*.
- Ensure UK taxpayers' money is not used to fund bullfighting.
- Ensure *greater protection for racing greyhounds* and initiate a formal independent review of the industry.
- Ban the import of fur products.
- Work for *stronger international protection of endangered sea creatures*, and an end to the killing of porpoises, whales and dolphins in all waters and keeping these animals for commercial purposes.