**Policy for monitoring new dogs

No cats or other pets in household

Stressors within the home to be kept to a minimum loud noises, visitors, etc

One adult in home – no children

Stressors outside the home discussed with owner –***eg avoid heavy traffic / other dogs / other animals / joggers/ bikes etc***If over aroused – adequate time given (approx 72 hours) to rest –***Discuss with owner dangers of being over stressed and trigger stacking – replace outside exercise with enrichment / shorter, quieter walks***Observe dog’s body language and notice the subtle signs of stress – putting into context***eg, lip licking, head turning, moving away – allowing dog space /time to settle*
**Keep note in diary of any unusual behaviours and discuss with owner**