VI. The Transport Department of the *OFMA* shall inspect all lorry parks or parking facility and issue the notices and follow through with monitoring and enforcing all the provisions of these bye-laws.

VII. The Transport Department shall maintain an effective call center to receive comments, complaints and other feedbacks from stakeholders and the general public.

VIII. All complaints arising out of the applications of these bye-laws should be forwarded to the MCD for investigations and redress.

13. Offence and penalty

Any person contravening any of the provisions of these Bye-laws shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine of between 120 to 250 penalty units or in default to a term of imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.

14. Application

These Bye-laws shall apply to all approved lorry parks in the Municipality

15. Revocation

The Lorry Parks Bye-laws, 1998 is hereby repealed.

16. Interpretation

In these Bye-laws unless the context otherwise requires: -

"*OFMA*" means Oforikrom Municipal Assembly" "Driving" means any person who is the owner or has charge or control over a vehicle or being present is entitled to give orders to the person having charge or control of the vehicle.

"Motor Vehicle" means any mechanically propelled vehicle intended or adopted for use on roads; "place" includes street, pavement or an open space.

SECTION 24 - STRAY ANIMALS

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly by section 181 of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) hereby make these Bye-Laws:

1. Title

This Bye-law shall be cited as the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly (Stray Animals) Bye-Laws, 2019

2. Seizure of unattended animal

a. A person authorized by the *OFMA* who finds any stray animal in any public part of the Municipality without any person in charge thereof may seize and impound such animal and send it to the place set aside by the *OFMA* for that purpose.

I. An animal so impounded shall be released by the *OFMA* to the owner upon the payment of a fee fixed by the resolution of the *OFMA*

II. any expenses incurred by the *OFMA* for the maintenance of such animal shall be paid by the owner as determined by the resolution of the Assembly.

3. Prohibition

The rearing and or the keeping of animals in any premises or in any part of the Municipality otherwise than for immediate slaughter or in such public place as the *OFMA* may provide for that purpose, is forbidden and animals kept in contravention of these Bye-laws may be seized by any person authorized by the *OFMA* and placed in a pond.

4. Permission to keep animal

Notwithstanding Bye-Law 2, a person may keep animals within the area of administration of *OFMA* for domestic, religious or customary purposes upon the conditions that the animals-

(a) Are kept in a kraal which is well maintained and always kept clean; and
(b) Do not constitute a nuisance by such or noise to neighbors; and
(c) Are attended to by veterinary officers or assistants and the owners are to ensure that sanitary rules specified by Ministry of Health are maintained.

5. Cattle breeders

It shall be an offence for cattle owners to bring cattle to the residential areas and the streets. For avoidance of doubt cattle shall be confined to their kraal outside residential areas.

6. Impounding of stray animals

a. Where officers of *OFMA* impound cattle or any stray animal under Bye-laws 4 of these Bye-Laws-
   I. The *OFMA* shall not be liable for any animal that may die after it has been impounded.
   II. An owner of any impounded animal may retrieve it on conditions as may be determined by the *OFMA*

b. Any animal placed in a pound may be detained there until the owner pays to the *OFMA* a fee covering the impounding and the maintenance of the cattle as may from time to time be fixed by resolution of the *OFMA*

7. Sale of impounded stray animal

Where the animal remains with the *OFMA* for seven days, notices shall be posted at vantage points for three days after which the animal shall be sold by public auction and the proceeds paid to the *OFMA* account.

8. Interpretation

In these Bye-laws unless the context otherwise requires-"Animals includes horse, sheep, goats, cattle, monkeys and pigs"

9. Application

These Bye-laws shall apply within the area of authority of the *OFMA*

10. Revocation

Any Bye-laws on cattle pounds in existence within the area of authority of the Assembly immediately before the coming into force of these Bye-laws are hereby revoked.

SECTION 25 - CONTROL OF DOGS

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly by section 181 of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) hereby make these Bye-Laws:

1. Title

This Bye-law shall be cited as the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly (Control of Dogs) Bye-Laws, 2019.

2. Prohibitions on keeping dogs and other pets

a. A person shall not keep any kind of dog or bitch unless the person applies for and obtain a licence from the *OFMA* to do so;
b. The veterinary department of *OFMA* shall before granting a licence satisfy itself that the dog has been duly vaccinated against rabies on the production of a signed Certificate issued by the Veterinary Officer to this effect;
c. The officer from the veterinary department after inspecting and certifying the authenticity of the badge shall provide to the keeper by the Licensing Officer which badge shall be kept on the dog at all times whilst the licence remains in force;
d. A licence issued under these Bye-laws shall expire on the 31st December of the year in which it is issued;
e. The owner shall renew the licence by subjecting the animal for another vaccination and follow the same process to renew the licence that shall also expire on the 31st December of the year in which it was issued.

3. Stray dogs/pets

a. A dog in respect of which a licence is granted shall be confined in a house by the owner and shall not be allowed to be at large except with the owner or someone and on leash.

b. It shall be lawful for any Police Officer, Health Officer of *OFMA* or any person authorized by the *OFMA* to seize any stray dog found at large and bring it before a Magistrate who may direct that the dog be returned to its owner or assigned to a suitable person or make such order as he may think fit.

4. Keeper of dogs/pets

A person in whose custody, charge or possession or on whose premises a dog is found shall, for the purpose of these Bye-laws, be deemed to be keeper of such dog unless the contrary is provided.

5. Seizure of diseased dogs/pets

a. An Officer of *OFMA* authorized in that behalf may seize any dog which is suffering or which he reasonably believes to be suffering from manger, rabies or other disease within the meaning of the Disease of Animals Act, 1916 (Act 83).

b. A person who has a dog licence in force shall produce it within twenty-four hours on request by an officer of the *OFMA* in that behalf.