

MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/24/046 – VETPARTNERS/MIDLETON VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears proposed acquisition by VetPartners Practices Ireland Limited of the business and certain assets of Midleton Veterinary Hospital Limited and the partnership known as Knockgriffin Veterinary Clinic

4 November 2024

The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission has today cleared the proposed transaction whereby VetPartner Practices Ireland Limited would acquire sole control of the business and certain assets of Midleton Veterinary Hospital Limited and the partnership known as Knockgriffin Veterinary Clinic. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 31 July 2024.

The Commission has formed the view that the proposed transaction will not substantially lessen competition in any market for goods or services in the State. The Commission will publish the reasons for its determination on its website no later than 60 working days after the date of the determination and after allowing the parties the opportunity to request that confidential information be removed from the published version.

Additional Information

VetPartner Practices Ireland Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of VetPartners Limited, a veterinary services provider incorporated in England. VetPartners Practices Ireland Limited owns and operates veterinary practices across the State.

Midleton Veterinary Hospital is a veterinary practice in Midleton, Co. Cork. Midleton Veterinary Hospital offers a wide range of veterinary services to both small and large animals. These services include screening, dentistry, surgery, diagnostics and artificial insemination.