

MERGER ANNOUNCEMENT M/24/080 – VETPARTNERS/ GREYSTONES VETERINARY COMPANY

Section 21 of the Competition Act 2002

Competition and Consumer Protection Commission clears the proposed acquisition by VetPartners Practices Ireland Limited of Greystones Veterinary Company Limited

14 January 2025

The Competition and Consumer Protection Commission, on 13 January 2025, cleared the proposed transaction whereby VetPartners Practices Ireland Limited would acquire sole control of Greystones Veterinary Company Limited. The proposed transaction was notified under the Competition Act 2002, as amended, on 20 December 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

VetPartners Practices Ireland Limited ("VetPartners") owns and operates veterinary practices across the State. VetPartners is an indirect subsidiary of VetPartners Limited, a UK-based veterinary services provider. The wider VetPartners Group is active in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, Portugal and Switzerland.

Greystones Veterinary Company Limited is a company which operates two veterinary clinics, one in Greystones, Co. Wicklow, and the other in Bray, Co. Wicklow