## ModEL Letter to Neighbours

641 Browns Road

Anywhere

January 1, 2022

Dear Andrew and Alison,

I am writing to let you know that I have recently enrolled my flock in the Market Assurance Program for goats (GoatMAP). This involves having a biosecurity plan in place for my herd as well as having them tested for Johne’s disease (JD) and/or caprine arthritis encephalitis (CAE) [*delete one if not applicable*], and ensuring that I manage them to minimise the risk of introducing this/these disease(s).

Being part of GoatMAP means I need to assess factors that may pose a risk to the status of my herd. One of these factors is straying animals – for my animals if they stray off my property and have come in contact with other goats, and animals from other properties that stray onto my land.

I would be grateful if you could help me to manage the risk of strays in two ways. The first is to let me know the status of any goats and sheep (for JD and/or CAE) that you may have on your property. It would be helpful too if you notified me if that status changes at all.

Secondly, can I ask that if any of my goats stray onto your property, you please let me know before you return the animal(s). This will enable me to identify the animal(s) and take the appropriate action.

Please call me on 1234 5678 if you would like to talk about this.

Thank you for your help.

Yours sincerely