

Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Board (AWERB) Minutes 22/11/2022

The University of Edinburgh Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986

Minutes of the Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body held 22/11/2022 Microsoft Teams

- **1. Welcome** The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting including a new member, and thanked them for attending.— Apologies **separate attendance log**
- 2. Minutes of Meeting held on 25/10/2022: approved
- 3. Matters Arising will be discussed at an early 2023 meeting (Feb/March)
- **4. Presentation:** public engagement project.

5. Named person and Director updates

Directors update (incl Deputy Director update):

- Tidying up loose ends, focusing on Estates planning and active projects. Meeting held re sound issues with Robot, looking at solutions.
 potential space going to project board for further feasibility funds.
- Recruitment going well, training in progress. Preparing for Christmas.
- New DBVS visiting 30 Nov/1 Dec,.

Deputy Director's update (incl. with Director update): on leave

6. NVS update:

- **Condition 18**: Several condition 18 reports have been submitted since the last meeting. Appropriate actions being taken where required.
- Culture of Care Day: went well
- Compassion for Team Workshop date set in January 2023.
- **PPL issue:** Expired November in negotiations with H.O. to go onto service licence. Under care of NVS and asked for standard condition 18, will be non-compliance.

7. NACWO update:

- **Staffing**: BVS MA's working with when successfully completed HNC they can join IAT at Level 3. Education in-house and assessed by college tutors.
- **Facility**: Trialling additional steam supply option for 1 facility that has high dependency and issues with local steam supply.
- 8. NTCO update: annual leave

9. HOLC update (incl. NTCO update):

- NTCO: All going well
- **HOLC**: Continue to be busy with amendments and licenses. Recent urgent amendments turned around quickly. Some inconsistencies with granted licenses.
- Really busy with some complex licenses. Presentation on PPL relating to approved for submission. Further complex amendment, researcher moving to



Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Board (AWERB) Minutes 22/11/2022

another establishment. Will require PPL to be held there with secondary at Edinburgh

11. (a) Project licences under consideration:

PL33-22: PPL application

This was a very well written application with no major issues, some minor points are detailed below and feedback to be approved in principal:

- be consistent when referring to guidance, check adverse effects justification
- Issue protocols not consistent, hard to tell where lots of references to appendix hard to tell which one is relevant.
- Objectives section very technical, old style licence copied over

A69-22: PPL additional availability application

PPL holder moving tonew Establishment, licence will move and some lines. Additional availability licence required to get lines established, nothing will be left here. Timescale plan is March 2023 to complete the transfer. Approved atreceiving establishment. No changes additional availability. All straight forward.

(b) Amendments – for consideration by full committee:

none

Applications submitted and considered by the amendment Sub-Committee

Approved:

A61-22), A63-22), A65-22 (

12. A.O.C.B – Owing to recent incident with a publication involving which had not had local ethical review, the AWERB discussed the need for the university to be aware of animal work abroad. New web page already complete with form. Suggest e-mail to all relevant researchers.

to Write a letter from AWERB, recent incident, remind them that there is a process, to all head of centres. **ACTION** E-mail to

Date of next Meeting: 15/12/2022 10am seminar room 4 CB