



## Minutes

Date Wednesday, 03/07/2019

Time 08.30am

To Committee Members

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB 3Rs Committee

### In Attendance:

[REDACTED]

### Apologies:

[REDACTED]

### 1. Minutes

The minutes were approved after a minor amendment.

### 2. Matters Arising

None

### 3. Retrospective Reviews

#### (a) [REDACTED]

This licence was granted in March 2015 and is being replaced. The committee praised [REDACTED] for a well written and honest Retrospective Review.

- The information stated in Section 1.4 should be moved to Section 1.5 as the event was not treated as a non-compliance problem.
- The committee felt that only publications regarding the in-vivo work should be mentioned, this is to have greater clarity regarding the number of publications using animals.
- The committee recommended that information on the use of a cloud system to record the weight of animals in Section 4.1 is disseminated to other research groups.

#### (b) [REDACTED]

This licence was granted in 2018 and will not be replaced.

- The totals in Table 2.1 are inaccurate so should be reviewed
- The committee asked for further information on why the number of animals reported in this review are so low compared to those estimated in the licence
- Some answers to the yes/no questions have not been provided
- Section 2.11 refers to *Xenopus* coming from the USA but no reference is made to the contingent harm caused by being transported such a long distance. Therefore, it was recommended that the statement in Section 2.10 should be amended.



(c) [REDACTED]

This licence expired in December 2018 and has not been replaced. The Retrospective Review has already been reviewed by the AWERB Sub Committee and the comments were disseminated.

- It was noted that the reduced number of animals used due to scientific objectives not being completed didn't constitute as a reduction
- It was requested that the scoresheet referenced in Section 4.5 can be shared with [REDACTED]

(d) [REDACTED]

This Retrospective Review has already been reviewed by the AWERB Sub Committee and the comments were disseminated. The 3Rs Committee felt they had no further comments to make.

**4. Retrospective Assessments**

None

**5. Project Licence Applications**

None

**6. Severe Severity licence reviews**

None

**7. 3Rs information/reports**

[REDACTED] recently spoke openly on BBC Radio regarding use his of animals, [REDACTED] to ask for feedback responses.

**8. Feedback from previous Retrospective Reviews\***

**9. Minutes of NPC meeting\***

**10. Minutes of AWERB Standing meeting\***

**11. Any Other Business**

None

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2019

**\*Items for information only unless un-starred by committee member**