Minutes

Date       Wednesday, 05/09/2018
Time       08.30am
To         Committee Members
At         AWERB 3Rs Committee

In Attendance:

Apologies:

1. Minutes
   The minutes were approved after a minor correction.

2. Matters Arising
   None.

3. Retrospective Reviews
   (a) The committee were unclear whether or not is planning on continuing this licence in a new
       establishment. The retrospective review only covers the two years for which was PPL
       holder, the committee queried whether had submitted a RR prior to leaving.
       • As a minimum, the numbers and actual severity should be updated from the Home Office
         Returns to include the first three years of the licence.
       • Section 2.6 should be answered
       • Each of the total boxes should be completed under Section 3.1 and all years accounted for
       • The severity level achieved under Protocol 4 was queried and clarification needed
       • The committee were concerned that the animals used in Protocol 12 were reaching the
         estimated limit
       • The committee would like more detail about the extent of the achieved reduction in Section 4.9

4. Retrospective Assessments
   None

5. Project Licence Applications
   (a) This licence includes severe severity protocols.
The committee felt the animal’s experience wasn’t explained well enough for the reader to assess.

The spelling of “diphtheria” should be corrected throughout the application.

Further information required in the project plan.

The committee would like more information around the proportion of mice that are dying, and when.

The committee suggest the applicant refers to the Tamoxifen workshop notes in regards to oral gavage.

It was queried whether enough mice have been requested to cover the life of the licence.

The committee requested that the statement relating to the unexpected death causing the animals no or minimal suffering be removed as this cannot be proved.

A lot of the refinements mentioned are repetitions of the Standard Conditions for Project Licence Holders and should be removed.

6. 3Rs information/reports
   None

7. Minutes of NPC meeting*
   Information was disseminated by [Name]

8. Minutes of AWERB Standing meeting*

9. Any other Business
   It was suggested that the committee members are reviewed in light of the importance for the NIO to be in attendance for a quorate meeting.
   [Name] will start her maternity leave in November.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 3rd October 2018

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