



## Minutes

Date Wednesday, 22/03/2023

Time 1pm

To Standing Committee

At [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB Standing Committee

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**In attendance:** [REDACTED]

**Scientists in attendance for 1a)** [REDACTED] **1b)** [REDACTED] **& 1c)** [REDACTED]

**Apologies:** [REDACTED]

**Minutes:** [REDACTED]

### 1. Project Licences

#### (a) New licence: [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Consideration as to whether the time frames given for specific procedures is realistic and correct in the Project Harms section.
- Technical language requires explanation in the Project Harms section.
- The recommendation that information from the applicant's presentation be included in the Replacement section of the application.

The committee agreed minor changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

#### (b) New Licence: [REDACTED] attended in his place)

The committee discussed the following:

- Further explanation required in regards to technical language used in the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further explanation required on how infection contributes to specific disorders in the Aims section.
- Further consideration given to the readability in the Project Harms section of the Non-Technical Summary.
- Further consistency required in regards to time points listed in Protocol 1, step 1.
- The recommendation that the applicant bold the text that describes the life stages that will be used in each step of the protocols.
- The recommendation that the applicant considers other routes of administration should refinements be made in the future in Protocol 1, step 1.
- Rewording required in regards to specific scoring systems referenced that may change over time where refinements are made in Protocol 1, step 1.
- Further information required in the humane endpoint section of Protocol 1.
- The inclusion of additional routes of administration in Protocol 2, step 1.



The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

**(c) New Licence:** [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further explanation of technical wording required throughout the Non-Technical Summary.
- Consideration given to whether the applicant requires 'a vehicle' to be included in the administration steps of Protocols 5-11.

The committee agreed changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

**(d) Amendment:** [REDACTED] was in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee were happy to support the transfer of project licence holder and had no recommendations to make ahead of submission on ASPeL.

**(e) Amendment:** [REDACTED]

The committee discussed the following:

- Further information in the adverse effects section in regards to Protocol 7, step 3.

The committee agreed minor changes were needed before a draft is submitted to the Home Office.

**(f) Amendment:** [REDACTED] was in attendance)

The committee discussed the following:

- The committee were happy to support the transfer of project licence holder and had no recommendations to make ahead of submission on ASPeL.

## 2. Retrospective Reviews

**(a)** None

## 3. Minutes of last meeting 22/02/23

The committee approved the minutes.

## 4. Minutes of the AWERB Sub-Standing committee 08/02/23

The minutes were noted.

## 5. Minutes of the AWERB 3Rs Committee 01/02/23

The minutes were noted.

## 6. Minutes of the AWERB Operations Committee 17/02/23

The minutes were noted.



**7. Matters arising from the minutes and AOB**

Overseas Research request: [REDACTED] – The committee reviewed the Overseas Research request and had no comments that needed addressing. They agreed this request would receive ethical approval.

Non-Regulated Procedure Request: [REDACTED] – The committee reviewed this Non-Regulated Procedure request had asked for further information in regards to what action will be taken if animals are showing specific signs. The committee agreed the request would need to be updated before it could receive ethical approval.

**8. List items of note**

**Date of next meeting:** 26/04/23