



Minutes

Date Wednesday, 06/02/2019

Time 08.30am

To Committee Members

At Meeting Room, 1st Floor, [REDACTED]

Subject AWERB 3Rs Committee

In Attendance:

[REDACTED]

Apologies:

[REDACTED]

1. Minutes

The minutes were approved.

2. Matters Arising

None.

3. Retrospective Reviews

(a) [REDACTED] – 70/8112

This licence was granted in 2014.

- In Section 2.1, Protocol 3 is missing despite being listed on the project licence.
- The committee noted the numbers of rats used in Protocol 1 are close to the limit set by the amendment and wanted the licence holder to be aware in case another amendment is needed.
- Clarification is required for severity under Section 2.2
- It was suggested that guidance on use of [REDACTED] is sent to the licence holder.
- Sections 3.1 – 3.7 could be completed more thoroughly.
- In the Condition 18 report, it was noted by the committee that no post mortems had been performed. The licence holder is encouraged to perform post mortems on all cases where animals are found dead of no particular cause.

(b) [REDACTED] – 70/7587

This licence was granted in November 2014 and will require a Retrospective Assessment to be completed within 3 months of expiry.

- The 3Rs committee would like to see an explanation as to why no refinement or reduction of contingent harms was possible.
- The committee were pleased with the detail of how the issues surrounding the anaesthetic death had been investigated.



- Concerns were raised regarding the length of time between weight loss checks being too infrequent.

(c) [REDACTED] – [REDACTED]

This licence was granted in November 2014.

- The committee commended the licence holder on the quality of the Retrospective Review and the excellent record keeping which was reflected by this.
- In Protocol 1, the number of adults is close to the estimated total and should be monitored in case an amendment is needed.
- It was suggested that the number of YES/NO questions which remain unanswered are answered.

4. Retrospective Assessments

None

5. Project Licence Applications

None

6. 3Rs information/reports

NC3Rs will be holding their Research Review Launch and 2018 3Rs Prize Event on 18th March. It was suggested a member of the committee attends.

[REDACTED] have circulated a newsletter which [REDACTED] will disseminate.

7. Minutes of NPC meeting*

8. Minutes of AWERB Standing meeting*

9. Any other Business

[REDACTED] PPL has been granted. He has been invited to attend the 3Rs Committee meeting on a yearly basis to discuss the committee's concerns. His first attendance will be in December 2019.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 6th March 2019.

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