Report of a meeting of the Animal Welfare & Ethical Review Body (AWERB) held on 1st April 2021 at 2.30pm.

Item	Issue Discussed	Action Agreed	Ву	Target Date
1.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	NONE	N/A	N/A
2.	REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING-	AGREED - Minutes circulated- no amendments.	N/A	N/A
3.	MATTERS ARISING-			
(a)	NPREC updating members that NPREC is in communication with Director of Services (VCO) regarding the appointment of a new lay chair but as yet no recommendation has been made.	AGREED - NPREC will follow up with Director of Services and suggest that the University might wish to consider appointing a lay chair with a Religious/Religious Leader background - NPREC will liaise with the University's Research Integrity Manager regarding University process in appointing a lay chair.	NPREC	01/07/21
(b)	NPREC updating members that NPREC is working to create electronic records database	NOTED -	NPREC	N/A
4.	ELH/NPREC VERBAL UPDATE			

	RECEIVED -			
(a)	Verbal update given by NPREC regarding compliance for the last reporting period, brief update on projects, and consideration of key risks going forward and contingency planning.	NOTED	N/A	N/A
5.	Annual Review			
	RECEIVED-			
(a)	Verbal discussion by NIs of issues/experiences in session;	NOTED	N/A	N/A
6.	NACWO report RECEIVED reporting on:			
	PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND UPTAKE OF THE 3 Rs;	NOTED - updates on licensing, training, professional networking and the CoS Ethics Committee.	N/A	N/A
	CSAR; and	 NOTED HO and FHI inspections; FOI requests and external interest matters; current research; 	N/A	N/A

	CARE, ACCOMMODATION AND TREATMENT	 systems infrastructure and refurbishments and technical matters. NOTED updates on stock, accommodation and treatment matters; care regimes in CSAR, species-specific matters and facilities; that there were no major issues of concern to be brought to the attention of the Group. 	N/A	N/A
	OTHER	NOTED - NACWO has received a request from the Flight Project to re-home four of the birds		N/A
7.	SPECIALIST REPORTS			
	RECEIVED – a report from the NVS.	NOTED - that husbandry standards were felt to be good and that no issues of veterinary concern had been identified.	N/A	N/A
8.	DATES OF MEETINGS			

	CONSIDERED – the date & time of next meetings	 AGREED that the AWERB meetings for the next period will be as follows: October 2021 meeting: 7th October 2021 at 2.30pm; February 2022 meeting: 3rd February 2022 at 2.30pm; and April 2022 meeting: 28th April 2022 at 2.30 pm For the foreseeable future, it is proposed that AWERB meetings will be held via Zoom. 	N/A	N/A
9.	OTHER BUSINESS	NONE	N/A	N/A

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