

Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body (AWERB)

20/01 A meeting of the Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body (AWERB) was held in Committee Room 2, Whiteknights House on Thursday 6 February 2020 at 10.00 am.

Present: [Redacted. Sec.40]
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Apologies: [Redacted. Sec.40]
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20/02 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 11 September 2019 were approved as a correct record.

20/03

- There was support for the formation of a technical sub-committee to consider such applications
- A model was already in place at CEDAR for the Camelids. Meetings were regularly held with the NVS
- There was a need to be blunter with contract research services about AWERBs requirements

AWERB asked that [Redacted. Sec.40], liaise with colleagues at other Universities to ascertain what they do.

Action: [Redacted. Sec.40]

This item would be brought back to the next meeting.

20/08 Any other business

TB on the Farm

It was reported that TB had now spread to the edge of West Berkshire.

During February a reactor had tested positive for the 21A strain and one test was inconclusive. As a result, the herd (1100) was now subject to 60-day test. Only two positive cases had been confirmed to date. It was noted that the two consecutive 60-day tests were required for an all clear.

AWERB were reminded that it was a closed herd. A small loss of animals was unlikely to impact any studies.

Elderly Mice

It was noted that the BRU had instigated a traffic light system for ageing mice

20/09 Dates of meetings in the Session 2019-2020

Thursday 14 May 2020 at 10.00 am