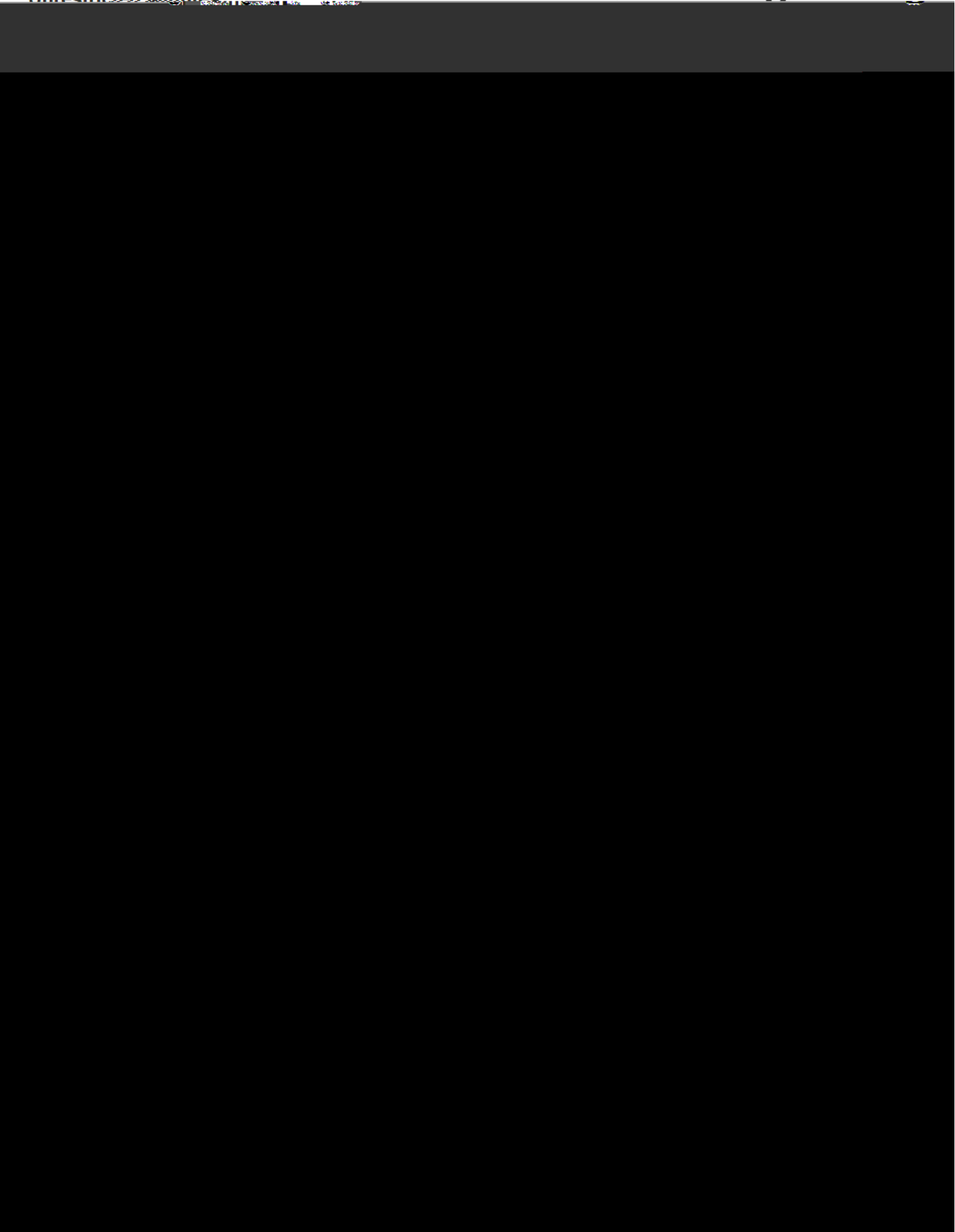




Unrestricted Minutes



23/20 Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting held on 11 May 2023 were approved as a correct record.

23/21 Matters Arising

All matters arising were covered below.

23/22 Mid Term Review

The AWERB received a presentation from \_\_\_\_\_ in respect of the current projects licences for:

- Microvesicles and the prevention of tissue wasting.

The objective of the project is to explore the clinical benefit of stem cell secretory factors on age related degenerative diseases and those associated with cancer treatment. To facilitate the safe translation of pre-clinical testing to human clinical testing, animal testing is necessary in this project. There were two objectives 1) to determine whether

male rates the modified ageing model based on d-Gal injection showed many effects on age-related markers. This output should be reported. Given the body of evidence for 8 week old accelerated rat ageing this could be down to the type/supply of SD rats used – an inbred strain might give better results.

- The use of pilot /TT0 1 Tf 0.45, ulve betd as 0 Tw 2.233 0 Td 9(r)5.5 (02 Tc 00.012 7 -1.j1TT2 6)4 (ve)

23/26 Annual Review of AWERB's activity

The AWERB received a paper on its annual self-assessment on whether it was adequately performing the minimum and additional tasks required of it. The self-assessment exercise would provide evidence in relation to the Establishment Licence holder's compliance with PEL standard condition 6.

The paper detailed the 'minimum' and 'recommended additional' tasks which a properly constituted and functioning AWERB should undertake.

In respect of points e) and l) it was noted that a small sub-group of the AWERB would need to undertake these actions.

Action: [REDACTED]

23/27 Animal Policy

The AWERB received the revised Animal Policy.

It was agreed that a commitment to the 3Rs should be more strongly worded in the policy.

Action: [REDACTED]

23/28 Report from Technical Services

The AWERB received and noted the training and competency process for the BRU. The AWERB welcomed the approach taken. The document could be circulated to those colleagues holding licences.

23/29 Communications Strategy

There was no report on this occasion. The Chair agreed to speak further with MCE in regard to this item.

23/30 Communications

The AWERB received and noted:

- A note in respect of Continuous Improvement of the Animal in Science Regulator
- Guiding Principles for Named Persons working under ASPA

23/31 Items for future meetings

The AWERB agreed that future topics remained rehoming, compassion fatigue and mental health challenges.

23/32 Dates of meetings in the Session 2023-24

Monday 5 February 2024 at 10.00 am

Thursday 9 May 2024 at 10.00 am