

HARPER ADAMS UNIVERSITY

Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body

Terms of Reference

Constitution

1. The Board of Governors has established a committee of the Board of Governors known as the Animal Welfare and Ethical Review Body (AWERB). The role of AWERB, as set out below shall be to ensure that the University complies with the Animal (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 as set out in ASPA Schedule 2C and Schedule 3.

Membership

2. The Body and its Chairman shall be appointed by the Board of Governors. A member of staff will serve as an animal scientist and who has knowledge of ASPA requirements, but is not

- iii) that there is consideration of Home Office ASRU documentation or other guidance issued by relevant bodies to ensure that AWERB can be confident that the University is meeting all of its obligations as specified in ASPA
- iv) that there are management and operational processes for monitoring, reporting and follow-up on relation to the welfare of animals housed or used in the licenced

the submission process by the PEL) , to reject an application or to request amendment to an application before it may be submitted to the ASRU. The Committee may agree to review and approve/reject any requested amendments either at a further meeting of AWERB or by circulation to all AWERB members. See process for consideration of Urgent Amendments set out above.

- b) To ensure that applicants for project licences have fully considered opportunities to minimise the use of animals through replacement, reduction or refinement of experimental procedures. The Body will have the right to request amendment to an application or reject an application in instances where evidence if not available that such full consideration has been made
- c) To review progress of current projects, including approval (or rejection) of proposed protocols and to review the outcome of completed projects in the context of the aims of replacement, reduction and refinement
- d) To ensure the adequacy of animal care and animal accommodation in relation to each licensed procedure and to advise on re-homing
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