## TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAWAC)

## **Terms of Reference**

- 1. To be advocates for and drive the implementation of the Australian Animal Welfare Strategy.
- 2. To foster the involvement of the full spectrum of opinion in animal welfare in the development and implementation of the Australian Animal Welfare Strategy.
- 3. To advise the Primary Industries Ministerial Council, through the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, on nationally significant animal welfare issues and the implementation of the strategy.
- 4. To identify issues/gaps in the existing animal welfare system in Australia and to provide advice on key performance indicators, priority work areas to address possible solutions and interim measures.
- 5. To provide oversight of specific action plans in each sectoral and cross-sectoral group under the strategy.
- 6. To establish a framework, including who will have carriage for the ongoing monitoring and review of animal welfare outcomes.

## Method of operation

- 1. The Advisory Committee will meet in person and by teleconference as necessary.
- 2. The department will provide technical support and secretariat support to the Advisory Committee.
- 3. The department will fund travel, accommodation costs and pay a per diem sitting fee in line with Remuneration Tribunal guidelines for non-government members. It is assumed that government agencies will contribute 'in-kind' salary time of any involved staff.
- 4. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee will be an observer on the Animal Welfare Committee, and the Chairman (or their delegate) of the Animal Welfare Committee will be a member of the Advisory Committee.

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## Membership

Name	Position	Role
Dr Gardner Murray	Consultant, former Australian CVO and former Deputy Secretary, DAFF	Independent Chair
Dr Rick Symons	Chief Veterinary Officer, Biosecurity Queensland	Chair, Animal Welfare Committee representing state/territory governments
Mr Bill Bray	National Farmers Federation	Representative state/ territory farmer organisations
Ms Glenys Oogjes	Executive Director, Animals Australia	Expert representing animal welfare organisations
Mr Phillip Glyde	Deputy Secretary responsible for animal welfare	Representative DAFF
Dr Hugh Wirth AM	President RSPCA Victoria	Expert/member previous AAWS AC
Dr Kevin Doyle	National Veterinarian, Australian Veterinary Association	Expert/member previous AAWS AC
Mr Keith Adams	Consultant, Ex President Cattle Council of Australia and NFF Quarantine and Animal Health Committee	Expert/member previous AAWS AC
Professor Mary Barton	Professor, University of South Australia, current Member of RSPCA Board, South Australia.	Expert from research and teaching sector
Dr Norm Blackman	Chief Veterinarian, RSPCA New South Wales	Expert with broad relevant experience
Mrs Helen Cathles	Grazier, Chair Invasive Species Cooperative Research Centre	Expert with broad relevant experience
Mr Brett McCallum	Pearl Producers' Association, Member Fisheries Research and Development Corporation	Expert with broad relevant experience in Aquatic Sector
Dr Lyndy Scott	Consultant	Expert with broad relevant experience
Dr Dedee Woodside	Consultant	Expert with broad relevant experience