



ONE WELFARE PHOENIX ADVISORY BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE

Established as a voluntary initiative to develop global guidance for professionals to help them identify and report the link between animal and human abuse and neglect

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BACKGROUND

The One Welfare Framework, encompasses five distinct sections that aim to bring together professionals of different disciplines for the benefit of animal welfare, human wellbeing, the environment, and overall, our society and the world we live in. One Welfare Community Interest Company was created as a non-profit company to enable those wanting to bring one welfare alive to have the space and tool to deliver common goals. The One Welfare director, as part of this initiative, may set up sub-groups for the purpose of examining specific One Welfare areas and delivering tools that may benefit the wider society.

Section 1 of the One Welfare Framework specifically focuses on the link between animal and human abuse and neglect. Within the chapter 3 organisation contributed with case studies and as peer reviewers, The Links Group, Viopet and The Link Coalition and they will continue to be an integral part of this project as members of the advisory board. These terms of reference relate to this section and are intended to bring together a multidisciplinary advisory board. The Board may then decide how best to establish sub-groups to focus on specific groups and/or professions. Such groups will report to the Advisory Board and be set up to deliver global guidance in their specific area.

Bringing together shared knowledge, case studies, guidance and good practices and tools used across the world and within different professions as part of the evidence base to build the guidance is one of the priorities of the One Welfare Phoenix project.

SCOPE

The aims of the advisory board, supported by One Welfare CIC are:

- to facilitate the exchange of information, experience and best practice in the area of animal and human abuse and neglect, including, where available the connections to the environment in the distinct areas of
 - human abuse and neglect with:
 - o Companion animals
 - o Working animals
 - o Farm animals
 - o Wildlife and stray animals
- to follow up progress of sub-groups and the production of relevant guidance within the subgroups area.
- to secure funds and resource for the development of the project, including supporting and organising relevant seminars, workshops and the publication of guidance



OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the Advisory Board is to support the sustainable development goals and global reduction of violence by supporting the production and dissemination of practical guides to professionals to help identify and report the link between animal and human abuse and neglect, including the relation to their environment and, if relevant, other materials, which could support the advisory board aims and objective. The board should also consider questions and barriers related to the proper implementation of existing programmes where possible to aid maximising future benefit of the guidance been produced.

The key priority areas of work will be:

- To facilitate the exchange of information, experience and best practice in the area of animal and human abuse and neglect, including, where available the connections to the environment
- To follow up, discuss, peer review and clear final drafts of the area specific subgroups before they are released for wider consultation and before they are published

Production and/or dissemination of other materials, which could help promote the interconnection between animal and human abuse and neglect

- Secure funds and resource for the development of the project, including supporting and organising relevant seminars, workshops and the publication of guidance as necessary

STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP

The advisory board shall consist of a group of maximum 15 members, including a chair and secretariat, with relevant professional expertise related to animal welfare, human wellbeing, environmental or social sciences, with a balanced representation of each member type. The board should have the capability to cover human interconnections with working animals, companion animals, farming, wildlife and stray animals:

- Veterinary profession: 2 seats – 1 vet The links group
- Medical profession: 2 seats – 1 doctor Viopet
- Social worker profession: 2 seats
- Other relevant profession: 2 seats – 1 Journalist – The National Link Coalition
- Academia: 2 seats
- Organization from civil society: 2 seats
- Independent members: 2 seats
- One Welfare CIC member: 1 seat



The One Welfare CIC member of the advisory board shall act as chairman. The organisations who are interested in becoming a member or in appointing their representative as a member of the advisory board shall address their written request to the chairman by providing the information described in the section 'Criteria to become a member of the advisory board' (see below). The chairman supported by The Links Group, The National Link Coalition and Viopet will decide upon the composition of the group. The chair may invite experts with specific expertise to take part in the work of the advisory board on an ad hoc basis.

CRITERIA TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD

The members of the advisory board shall submit their request to participate or their wish to nominate a representative to onewelfare@outlook.com no later than 31st August 2019.

The request shall be accompanied by a statement of motivation to become a member of the advisory board, including:

- a reference to the candidate's knowledge and practical experience on the interconnections between animal and human abuse and neglect.
- a description of in kind and/or monetary contributions that their organisation can commit to support funding and resourcing of the project
- as the advisory board can only accommodate a limited time of members so please confirm whether you would also be happy to be contacted as an expert for ad hoc meetings

WORKING PROCEDURES

1. The advisory board members commit to support the One Welfare Phoenix project and report on its results and activities to the public via One Welfare CIC and their organisations where relevant.
2. The advisory board shall meet at appropriate intervals to be decided during the group's first meeting.
3. In order to ensure the highest level of inclusiveness, the advisory board (directly or via the area specific subgroups) shall undertake global consultations by making relevant draft documents or surveys available and seeking suggested contributions and/or amendments.
4. The working language of the sub-group will be English, although translation of final guidance to other languages will be pursued.
5. One Welfare CIC shall chair the sub-group meetings.
6. The sub-group shall be dissolved when its mandate is fulfilled.
7. Each member of the sub-group shall commit to arrange and cover their own travel, daily allowance and accommodation costs.





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