



National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

Work Programme

Topic	Summary	Timeline
Temporary housing of companion animals	Recommend new code of welfare to Minister	Code recommended in 2018
Dairy cattle	Recommend code amendment to Minister on long-term dairy housing / off-paddock management systems	Advice to Minister in 2018
Codes review	To review whether codes are fit for purpose and develop new structure of codes	1 October 2018: codes reprinted with regulations Recommendations made to MPI secretariat in 2018
Animal sentience and the 'good life' concept	To acknowledge the addition of sentience to the Animal Welfare Act and develop a position on new research into positive mental states in animals	Report on sentience released 2018 Work on positive welfare in 2019
Implementation of standards	To consider the widespread issue (reflected in compliance data) of low body condition in animals	Information gathered in 2018 Standards recommended in 2019
Exhibition, entertainment and encounter	Publish the NAWAC position on the use of animals in exhibition, entertainment and encounter	Rodeos prioritised in 2018 Remainder in 2019
Regulations	To work with MPI to develop and implement animal welfare regulations	Layer hens complete in 2019 MPI's regulatory programme continuing through 2020
Wildlife	To consider issues relating to animals in a wild state, including trapping, hunting and killing	advice on snares to Minister 2018