

ACCREDITED PRACTITIONER REGISTER (“REGISTER”) ADVISORY BOARD (“BOARD”)

Minutes of a meeting of the Advisory Board held online via MS Teams

25th June 2025 at 18:00.

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees and confirmed that automatic transcription was agreeable to all present. This was confirmed by all.

1. Update on activity with the Professional Standards Authority accreditation team

a. Notification of Change

It was reported that the PSA is expected to review a notification of change at panel by the end of the month. Detailed information has been prepared for the PSA to make clear what activities will be undertaken by the Register once the NoC is agreed.

b. Professional Standards Authority conference and Review of Standards

Update was provided into the PSA's ongoing review of standards, which aims to unify accreditation processes and merging standards for registers and regulators.

2.a Update on Professional Conduct Review Committee

There was nothing to update at this time. Updates will be provided to the next board. A representative from the Advisory Board has agreed to join the next meeting to update on the impacts of process from the current NoC process.

2.b Update on Education and Training Committee

There was nothing to update at this time. Updates will be provided to the next board. See also, note(s) below under recruitment.

3. Update on application and registration

The meeting was advised that there were now 40 members of the Register, with 3 open applications under review.

There is a need to organise an annual membership renewal audit. (10% of membership). On renewal this is thought to be no more than 3 members.

4. Update from Accredited Register Collaborative (ARC)

The meeting was updated on key discussions from the most recent ARC meeting. The key themes from that being the changes in frequency of the meeting, forthcoming onsite meetings

The common data sharing agreement has been received and will be actioned.

Update from PSA – OA joined the meeting to provide an update from the PSA. The two main topics were the above-mentioned standards review and the recognised scale of work that the accreditation team is currently trying to manage through 2025-2026.

Other members will be provided with details of future ARC meetings.

5. Promotional activity since last meeting and proposed activity

Insights into several international membership organizations were provided, including their origins and membership structures.

The Register had recently attended the “Equine Cultures in Transition” conference in Manchester and provided a brief talk introducing the Accredited Practitioner Register. The conference been very much about potential research partnerships.

The Register will be speaking at the British Horse Council and will be speaking at the IAHAIO conference again this summer in Amsterdam.

6. Further recruitment to the Advisory Board, and other committees

Updates to committee memberships were discussed in the context of additional new, particularly in the context of Education and Training.

7. Any other business

Outreach to multiple Children's Services was discussed to raise awareness about the register and emphasized the need for effective communication with funders and the importance of ensuring practitioners have proper insurance coverage.

8. Date of next meeting

The next meeting is September 16th at 10am via MS Teams.