

# Communique

Meeting No: 2021.01

21 April 2021

The Animal Care and Management Industry Reference Committee (ACM IRC) met online on 21 April 2021. Present at the meeting were IRC members, guests and representatives from Skills Impact.

## **ACM IRC 2021 Annual Update Skills Forecast and Proposed Schedule of Work**

The ACM IRC discussed and approved Part A of the 2021 Animal Care and Management Annual Update to the Skills Forecast.

The IRC approved Cases for Change relating to the following skills activities:

- Assistance Dog Training
- Companion Animal Incident Management

## **Horse Care Project**

An update on the progress of the [Horse Care Project](#) was provided. The IRC discussed and considered feedback received from public consultation which resulted in updates to the first drafts that meant they require an additional round of public consultation before they move into the 'validation' stage.

## **VET Streamlining and Prioritisation**

A summary of qualifications listed for monitoring for low/no enrolments was provided to the IRC. The list will be updated and provided at future IRC meetings for members' consideration and discussion.

## **General Business**

The IRC discussed the changes in the Veterinary sector, including the level of skills required for veterinary nurses. A review of the veterinary qualifications, units of competencies and skill sets was discussed and scheduled for consideration as a proposed schedule of work in the 2022 Skills Forecast.

## **2021 IRC meeting dates**

- Wednesday 25 August 2021
- Wednesday 26 October 2021