

Summary	
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Registered Veterinary Nurses Preliminary Investigation Committee

Report to Council

Introduction

1. Since the last Report to Council, there has been one meeting of the RVN Preliminary Investigation Committee, which took place on 21 February 2023.

RVN Concerns received / registered

2. In the period 6 January to 3 March 2023, there were 6 new Concerns relating to RVNs. Of these 6 new Concerns:
 - All are currently under investigation by a Case Manager, Veterinary Nurse, Veterinary surgeon, and a lay member (Stage 1 Preliminary Investigation Committee)

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3. No new cases have been considered by the RVN PIC between 6 January and 3 March 2023. At the meeting on 21 February, the Committee considered an ongoing case and decided to refer it to the RVN Disciplinary Committee for a formal hearing.

Ongoing Investigations

4. Four concerns are currently under investigation and will be returned to the RVN PIC for a decision in due course.

Health Concerns

5. One RVN is currently being managed in the context of the RCVS Health Protocol.

Performance Concerns

6. There are currently no RVNs being managed in the context of the RCVS Performance Protocol.

Referral to Disciplinary Committee

7. Since the last report, one case has been referred to the RVN Disciplinary Committee. This will be listed for a hearing in due course.

Disciplinary Hearings

8. No Disciplinary hearings relating to RVNs have taken place since the last report.

Operational matters

9. Training for the impending Charter Case Committee has been planned for April and we are in the process of organising further more general training for members in the next few months.