

Licence Committee - minutes

Centre 0316 (Centre for Reproduction and Gynaecology Wales (CRGW)) – executive update

Thursday, 14 July 2016

HFEA, Level 2, 10 Spring Gardens, London, SW1A 2BU

Committee members	Andy Greenfield (Chair) Margaret Gilmore Anita Bharucha Ruth Wilde	
Members of the Executive	Ian Brown Trent Fisher	Head of Corporate Governance Secretary
Legal Adviser	Ros Foster	Browne Jacobson LLP
Observers	None	

Declarations of interest:

- members of the committee declared that they had no conflicts of interest in relation to this item

The committee had before it:

- 8th edition of the HFEA Code of Practice
- Standard licensing and approvals pack for committee members

The following papers were considered by the committee:

- executive update
- minutes from the last three years of licensing

1. Consideration of application

- 1.1. The committee noted the executive update regarding the independent review of multiple pregnancy, eSET practices and updates on legal parenthood consent issues identified at the renewal inspection.
- 1.2. The committee noted that whilst the centre's multiple pregnancy rate is high, there was evidence of a real commitment from the PR in engaging with the recommendations of the Executive to continue to lower the centre's multiple pregnancy rate.
- 1.3. The committee expressed concern that there had been inconsistencies that suggested additional anomalies had arisen regarding consent to legal parenthood had been identified by the centre. However, the committee noted that the PR had been engaging with the executive and corrective actions were being put in place.
- 1.4. The committee noted that the executive had held a management review meeting with the PR on 21 April 2016 at which it was agreed that the inspector would write to the PR setting out the executive's expectations as regards next steps and the requirement for regular updates to be provided to the Executive by the PR.
- 1.5. The committee expressed some concern at the time that had been taken for the PR to engage with the executive but noted that the executive is satisfied with the progress the centre is making and that the PR and his team appear to be fully committed to further improvement.

2. Decision

- 2.1. The committee welcomed the direction of travel being pursued at the centre as regards the cooperation of the PR in engaging with the Executive to implement the recommendations in the centre's renewal report. The committee encouraged the PR to continue to do so and noted that the executive was to continue to monitor the centre's progress.

3. Chair's signature

- 3.1. I confirm this is a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Signature



Name

Andy Greenfield

Date

25 July 2016