

Summary report of the Zoos Expert Committee (ZEC) September 2023 meeting

Meeting by video conference on 14 September 2023

Items discussed:

- Defra provided an update on the new Standards of Modern Zoo Practice for Great Britain following the withdrawal of The Kept Animals Bill. In particular, the proposed new Conservation, Education and Research chapters of the new Standards would need to be amended.
- The chair led discussions on the latest draft of the new Standards of Modern Zoo Practice for Great Britain. The new Standards were reviewed and members provided feedback.
- Defra led discussions on Zoo inspectors training and licensing forms. Several training options were under consideration and it was agreed that the current Zoo licensing forms would be reviewed ahead of the next meeting.

Further information

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