

**Pig Standards Technical Advisory Group Interim Meeting Summary notes**  
**14:00 Wednesday 9th April 2025**

**RSPCA Assured update**

Staff from RSPCA Assured updated the Group on the recent internal reshuffle and the independent 'Crowe Review', which concluded that the scheme was operating effectively. The new Farming and Technical Engagement team and Insights and Impact team also gave updates, including increased support to members and plans to progress the Welfare Outcome Analysis.

**Slaughter and killing**

The use of CO2 in the slaughter and killing of pigs was discussed, including the welfare implications, financial costs and potential alternative methods.

**Topics for future review**

Additional topics to be discussed in the next meeting include: pregnant mare serum gonadotropin, off-site lairage and collection centres, and indoor free farrowing.