

## **Appendix 2** - Summary of recommendations and outcome from the WHK 2013 review

The table below is a summary of the 34 recommendations from the WHK review.

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Status</b>
Deregistration rules to be amended to include reporting requirements for the outcome of all greyhounds from birth onwards.	Complete
Penalties to deter non-compliance with rules. Follow up on greyhounds that are registered but have not raced for a set period of time	Complete
Registration category for greyhounds used as breeding stock. Outcome when ceases to be used for breeding should be reported	Complete
Kennel inspections to verify number of greyhounds registered as kept by owners or trainers. Include whelped but not registered, racing greyhounds, breeding and retired	Complete
Audit of greyhounds privately rehomed	Verified with new owner at time of adoption
Reports identifying trends for the outcomes of the greyhounds leaving the industry, exception reports and reports of non-compliance	Complete
Reclassify dogs as working dogs	Not successful at this stage
Include in Rules requirements for LPs to comply with the Dog Control Act	Complete
Breeding registration and education program	Complete
No subsidies for breeding paid in situation when there is already an oversupply	Complete
Incorporate minimum standards from Code of Welfare on inherited disorders in own breeding regulations and ensure education on this	NZ Animal Welfare (Dogs) Code of Welfare included in Rules
Formal strategic planning with GAP to maximise rehoming	Complete
GAP encourages early registration of greyhounds into the program to alleviate waiting list times	No longer applicable
Develop further rehoming strategies such as prisoner program, disability assistance dogs	Complete
Increase registration fees with extra matched by GRNZ for rehoming purposes	N/a - GRNZ funds rehoming as required
Change grading process to ensure dogs remain competitive at a suitable grade	Complete
Change Rules so euthanasia only acceptable as a last resort and monitor trends for abuse	Complete
Amend Rules so that only a vet can euthanise unless in case of emergency - if emergency appropriate documentation obtained	Complete

Develop formal code of best practice in collaboration with appropriate welfare organisations, ensure reviewed and kept up to date.	Complete
Incorporate standards into Rules and defined penalties for non-compliance	Complete
Renegotiate SLA with RIU so KPIs re inspections are included, work on RIU knowledge gaps	Complete
Training including assessments for new and existing trainers in welfare standards, and make training material easily accessible on website. Where welfare issues identified consider requiring further training by trainers in order to retain their licence	Education ongoing. Formal qualifications to be established
Engage with global greyhound racing bodies re research on track safety and injuries etc.	Complete and ongoing
Continue relationship with Sports Turf Institute	Complete and ongoing
Improve injury reporting	Complete
Explore feasibility of having all vet care for greyhounds recorded in a central database, and obtain out of racing injuries.	Out of racing injuries in Rules. Vet care in database not done.
Consider types of statistical reporting on injuries and injury trends to identify potential welfare issues and report on a regular basis - trends at tracks and parts of tracks, greyhounds and trainers.	Complete
Liaise with vets to establish which vaccinations are required to be kept up to date. Supply certs to GRNZ on an annual basis - those not up to date should not be permitted to race.	Complete
Add independent members to animal welfare committee with animal welfare knowledge	Complete
Welfare committee to liaise with SPCA and NAWAC, communicate with other racing jurisdictions and GAP re welfare and animal research	Complete and ongoing
Formal reporting of risk and issues raised in the annual vet and track curator conferences should be made to the welfare committee	Issues reported to welfare committee
Formal relationship with the Sports Turf Institute and Massey University should be maintained so we keep up to date with changes in scientific knowledge and technology available with regard to track safety and greyhound health.	Complete and ongoing
Set short, mid and long-term targets for achieving animal welfare policy strategy and ensure appropriate funding is available for implementation	Complete
Employ a full time professional welfare officer	Head of Welfare employed to establish policies and practices. Now Racing and Welfare Manager has welfare embedded in culture and synergy across racing and welfare activities