

# THE DEXTER CATTLE SOCIETY

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON 10<sup>th</sup> June 2009

TELECONFERENCE CALL

STARTING AT 5.30PM

**Present:**

**Michael Bancroft, Mark Bowles, Jo Kemp, Carol Neilson, Beryl Rutherford, Martyn Ryder  
Tim Sparrow and Silke Warneke**

**In Attendance: Sue Archer (Breed Secretary) taking notes**

	Action by
<b>1. Apologies</b> none	
<b>2. Declaration of conflict of interest in agenda items</b> Nothing declared	CWN
<b>3. Minutes of meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009</b> Previously circulated and approved by everyone present. To be signed at next face to face meeting	CWN
<b>4. Confidential minute 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009</b> Previously circulated and approved by everyone present. To be signed at next face to meeting.	CWN
<b>5. Matters arising</b>	
<p><b>1. Survey</b> <i>Mike Bancroft explained that he found the graph 5 confusing and thought that members would agree with him because it related to number of cows rather than number of animals. Tim Sparrow explained that it will make no significant difference to the percentage outcome but only relates to number of animals in herd on day of survey. It was agreed that because the survey results were already printed an addendum could be added to inform members that the figures relate to animals rather than 'cows'.</i></p> <p><b>2. Bulletin</b> <i>Jo Kemp reported that the Bulletin will be printed on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Mike Bancroft asked who had proof read this bulletin and it was explained that due to pressures of time the bulletin was proof read at the last meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009. It will be posted out from the Society office on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Mike Bancroft offered to help.</i></p> <p><b>3. Constitution</b> <i>Martyn Ryder urged all Council members to read the new constitution and report comments back to him by the end of June 2009. The sub committee will be formed in July so that the constitution can be completed for the AGM in October.</i></p>	
<b>6. Proposal by Mark Bowles and seconded by Tim Sparrow for open discussion</b> <b>A Confidential Minute was taken</b>	

<p><b>7. Genetic discussion</b>  <b>A Confidential Minute was taken</b></p>	
<p><b>8. AOB (not taped)</b></p> <p><b>Grassroots</b>  Comment was made that the system does not have the facility to record any genetic faults within the breed or if an animal has excessive white patches. Sue Archer to contact Grassroots to see if these changes can be arranged.</p> <p><b>Steward for Royal Show</b>  Mark Bowles reported that Bernard Stamp and Julie Harvey will be asked to be steward for the Dexter Classes at the Royal Show 2009.</p> <p><b>Items for next bulletin</b>  Michael Bancroft reported that in discussion with Beryl Rutherford it was decided that the old articles on bulldog and genetics problems within the Dexter Cattle are really quite dated and new items need to be written for the Bulletin. Beryl Rutherford suggested a leaflet giving an explanation to new members. To be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Genetic project meeting</b>  Jo Kemp reported that she had emailed the RBST with regard to the Genetic project meeting but had not received a reply so far.</p> <p>Carol Neilson thanked everyone for their attendance and support.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 7.05pm</p>	<p>CWN/SA</p> <p>MB</p> <p>Mban/BR</p> <p>JK</p>