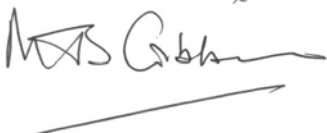
 <b>Regulatory Policy Committee</b>	<b>OPINION</b>	
<b>Impact Assessment (IA)</b>	Legislative Reform Order to amend the constitution of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons Preliminary Investigation Committee and Disciplinary Committee	
<b>Lead Department/Agency</b>	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs	
<b>Stage</b>	Final	
<b>Origin</b>	Domestic	
<b>Date submitted to RPC</b>	21/05/2012	
<b>RPC Opinion date and reference</b>	29/06/2012	RPC12-DEFRA-1122(2)
<b>Overall Assessment</b>	<b>GREEN</b>	
<p>The IA is fit for purpose. The IA could benefit from stating that the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) is considered to be a Civil Society Organisation and therefore within the scope of 'One-in, One-out'.</p>		
<p><b>Identification of costs and benefits, and the impacts on small firms, public and third sector organisations, individuals and community groups and reflection of these in the choice of options</b></p> <p><i>Costs and benefits.</i> The costs and benefits of the proposal to amend the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 (VSA) have been adequately assessed.</p>		
<p><b>Have the necessary burden reductions required by One-in, One-out been identified and are they robust?</b></p> <p>The IA says that the proposal is a regulatory measure that will impose a net cost to business (an 'IN') with an Equivalent Annual Net Cost to Business (EANCB) of £0.04m. This is consistent with the current 'One-in, One-out' Methodology and provides a reasonable assessment of the likely impacts. The IA could benefit from stating that the RCVS is defined as a Civil Society Organisation, as has been confirmed to us by the Department, and therefore within the scope of 'One-in, One-out'.</p>		
<b>Signed</b> 	<b>Michael Gibbons, Chairman</b>	