



Tails & Tales

Animal Welfare Centre updates

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Welcome to the Animal Welfare Centre updates, **Tales and Tails**.

We will provide regular (monthly) updates via email and socials. If you would like to sign up to the mailing list to receive emails to your inbox, please complete the [MS Form](#)

1. **SAVE THE DATE:** Come and join us, with colleagues from GASL, FAO, WOA and AMR MSPP for a webinar on Sustainable livestock transformation: animal welfare solutions for resilient agrifood systems on 26 February 2026. Details and registration can be found on the [website](#)



2. **Survey:** If you are a vet nurse, animal care assistant, or veterinary paraprofessional (UK and international) we would be delighted if you could take 5-10 minutes to complete our online survey. We want to understand what topics and species are priority for different audiences; as well as understanding what barriers or challenges exist relating to delivery approaches or engagement. [survey link](#) (and QR code)



3. **Publication (pre-print):** members of the Centre, Jill MacKay and Louise Connelly, provide a pre-print of their recent article. MacKay, J., & Connelly, L. (2025). Tail Wagging Cats: Veterinary Implications of AI Generated Video. Preprints. <https://doi.org/10.20944/preprints202512.1631.v1>

4. **Publication:** Olivia Curry, a PhD student at the Animal Welfare Centre publishes findings from her research. Curry, O., Everett, A., Pearson, G., Dwyer, C., & Duncan, J. (2025). Preliminary investigation of equine veterinary hospital staff attitudes towards pain assessment in a single centre. *Veterinary Record*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/vetr.6122>

5. **Publication:** An MSc Clinical Animal Behaviour student, along with supervisors from the University of Edinburgh and the University of Copenhagen, recently published aspects from their dissertation. Weber, T., Lund, T. B., Forkman, B., McPeake, K., Meyer, I., & Sandøe, P. (2026). Dog Owners' Use of Training Methods and Their Ethical Stance on the Treatment of Animals. *Anthrozoös*, 39(1), 41–64. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08927936.2025.2597086>

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