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11. We consider that good regulatory governance is achieved through robust, agile and timely regulation by a governing body composed of individuals with a variety of relevant competences.

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29. Alongside such human healthcare regulators, we see Royal Colleges, which perform a range of functions but with the overriding role usually the maintenance of professional standards through education, training, guidance and research. They enjoy a special status, often steeped in history, conferring recognised post-nominal letters to those who meet educational or other requirements. As such, they project exclusivity and status, authority and independence. They tend to be self-funding and are accountable to their membership. Alongside aligning with regulatory best practice seen in human healthcare, a

Recommendation 1.3: Removal of the Veterinary Schools Council (VSC) appointees

30. We support the recommendation that VSC appointees should be removed from RCVS regulatory Council. Although we do not disagree with maintaining an approach that ensure appropriate

