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Good Afternoon Helen

In relation to my witness hearing regarding the Terms of Reference of the Inquiry into GWIC I would like to tender these items as the main Points for Discussion that would be relevant to my experience

1. As a former Animal Welfare Committee member the development and appropriateness of the Code of Practice published by GWIC including licencing for rearers to make them more accountable for the welfare and development of a racing greyhound
2. Gaps in the whole of life tracking system and where it can be tightened up
3. Inspections conducted by GWIC officers and their effectiveness - should vets be included in all registered premises inspections
4. Are vets being trained up in the greyhound industry i.e. detection and treatment and prevention of sports injuries
5. Threshold testing for prohibited substances and the effect of this on participants in the industry
6. The conflicts that exist between GRNSW and GWIC and the way they affect the participants of the sport
7. The effect of the funding arrangements on GRNSW to GWIC and how does it affect its ability to deliver on the GIRP recommendations in regards to track safety, centres of excellence, rehoming options for retired greyhounds etc
8. Should GWIC be funded totally from revenues derived from the Betting Taxation Act 2001 - reference to McHugh's report that the regulator should be independently funded and not under-resourced
9. Licensing of rehoming agencies other than GAP to take on greyhounds in preparation for home life and register to be kept of greyhounds that are transferred from registered participants to members of the general public

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