Answers to questions on notice

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## Question:

**The CHAIR:** Just to continue on, as an example, a student would have an academic supervisor and that student commences the piece of research that they are working on. Is there a role over the course of that research

that is being undertaken that feeds back into the ethics committee? Or has the ethics committee, at that point of

approval, effectively completed their remit?

**ROBERT BRINK:** You have to make an annual report.

PHILIP O'CONNELL: You have to put down your publications from that research. **The CHAIR:** Are they in the public domain? Are they generally available or not?

**ROBERT BRINK:** The reports?

The CHAIR: Yes. ROBERT BRINK:

I do not believe so, but I would have to take that on notice. The publications certainly are

## Answer:

"I confirm that protocol specific annual reports to the AEC are not publicly available. They are confidential documents in view of potentially containing other sensitive content including IP and funding matters. However, Garvan annual animal use statistics sent to the DPI every year, is made available publicly by the DPI."