## Select Committee into the Operations of the RSPCA WA (Inc)

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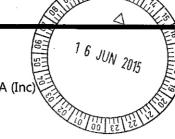
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To:

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Subject:

Disappointment with the RSPCA



In my professional capacity I work with animals in the field of professional pet welfare every day. I have performed this role for the last 10 years. I have sat on welfare committees with the RSPCA and other animal welfare stakeholders on many occasions dealing with cats, dogs, urban kangaroos and livestock. I am a Committee member of the WA Rangers Association. I used to give generously to the RSPCA both privately and through payroll giving.

Then I started to shoot regularly at a local club in Wanneroo. In time I became Treasurer and Membership Officer. I mixed weekly with fellow shooters and started to get a sense of what the RSPCA was really trying to do to my shooting friends. The more I learned, the less I liked what I was told, what I read in the press and found with my own research. Now I have no trust in the RSPCA as a shooter or as a professional in animal welfare, even though former members of my staff are or were General Inspectors of the RSPCA.

To say I find their current approach "disappointing" is probably a serious understatement as my desire would be to actively campaign against the organisation; however this would be at odds with my professional requirement to continue to have dialogue with them.

I wish you well in your enquiry and thank you for the courage you have shown in the face of unreasoned public backlash.

Malcolm H W Jenkinson