

# RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

**From:** Tom Lonsdale <[tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)> Wed 6/03/2024 8:34 AM

**To:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>

**Cc:** mediavets@gmail.com; Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>; Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>

Hi Luke,

Thanks for message.

Sorry, I prefer not to tell the RCVS about matters which at the current time are private.

Meanwhile there are some very public matters. Please advise regarding where I may find RCVS press photos as are normally made available to journalists and others in the course of their work.

Also, if you have any influence, please remind the RCVS President that the 29 December 2023 question, except for vague posturing, remains unanswered.

Recently I tabled a petition to the House of Commons asking the government to conduct an '[Inquiry into the pet food industry and its relationship with the vet profession](#)'. The petition includes a link to the 2004 Early Day Motion 335, [PROCESSED PET FOODS AND VETS](#), which 'calls upon the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to make a definitive statement on the active endorsement and promotion of processed pet foods by vets'.

Please advise if the RCVS will be making a 'definitive statement'.

Does it concern you that your department 'Communications' has Orwellian connotations?

Your answer to this and the other matters above keenly anticipated.

Best wishes,

Tom

**From:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 5, 2024 8:40 PM

**To:** Tom Lonsdale <[tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)>

**Cc:** [mediavets@gmail.com](mailto:mediavets@gmail.com); Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>; Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

Hi Tom,

Happy for you to use the below as an official response, but could you provide some more context on the forthcoming article please – eg where is it being published, what's the article about in general and so forth?

Best wishes,

**Luke Bishop**  
**Media & Publications Manager**

**Communications**  
**Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons**  
The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN

**T** [+442072020784](tel:+442072020784)

[www.rcvs.org.uk](http://www.rcvs.org.uk)

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) is incorporated by Royal Charter in England and Wales (RC000467)  
Our Head office is: The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN  
This message is private and confidential. If you have received this message in error, please notify us and remove it from your system.  
We may monitor email for the purposes of security and confidentiality

**From:** Tom Lonsdale <[tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 4, 2024 10:38 AM  
**To:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Cc:** [mediavets@gmail.com](mailto:mediavets@gmail.com); Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>; Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

Dear Luke,

Thanks for message which I take to be an official response.

I propose to quote your message in a forthcoming article. Do you have a photo gallery of the College Council and President and Executive that can be used for press purposes?

Alternatively, can you direct me to press photos located elsewhere?

Thanks in advance.

Best wishes,

,

Tom

Mon 4/03/2024 9:01 PM

Dear Tom,

My apologies for the tardy response.

Having sought clarity on this, we've decided it wouldn't be appropriate for us to share this correspondence with members of RCVS Council. You are, of course, welcome to contact them yourself but I am afraid that, for General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) reasons, we wouldn't be able to provide you with their email addresses directly.

It is worth noting, however, that all of our Council members would have been made aware – via the press release – of your candidacy for this year's RCVS Council election and so would have had the opportunity to read your biography and candidate statement.

Best wishes,

**Luke Bishop**  
**Media & Publications Manager**

**Communications**  
**Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons**  
The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN

**T** [+442072020784](tel:+442072020784)

[www.rcvs.org.uk](http://www.rcvs.org.uk)

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) is incorporated by Royal Charter in England and Wales (RC000467)  
Our Head office is: The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN  
This message is private and confidential. If you have received this message in error, please notify us and remove it from your system.  
We may monitor email for the purposes of security and confidentiality

**From:** Tom Lonsdale <[tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 1, 2024 10:51 PM  
**To:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: Question for candidates

Thanks Luke,

Currently still waiting for your response to email of 22 Feb when I asked:

‘Please indicate if you have supplied or intend to supply the information contained in this email message to all RCVS councillors and to the RCVS solicitors.’

Thanks again.

Cheers,

Tom

**From:** Tom Lonsdale  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 22, 2024 3:08 PM  
**To:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Cc:** [mediavets@gmail.com](mailto:mediavets@gmail.com); Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>; Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

Hi Luke,

Thanks for message. As per my 10 February email to fellow candidates below, I would like you to supply that email message and attached *Multi-Billion-Dollar Pet Food Fraud: Hiding in Plain Sight* to all current RCVS councillors.

In my view the RCVS should develop a policy, approved by its lawyers, and respond to the [2005 EDM request for](#) 'the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons to make a definitive statement on the active endorsement and promotion of processed pet foods by vets'.

By way of background, Dr Douglas Bryden, Director of the Sydney University Centre for Veterinary Education was sceptical of my claims as to the therapeutic and preventative benefits of raw meaty bones. However, after visiting my practice in December 1992 the scales fell off his eyes. He commissioned me to write the definitive article:

<http://www.rawmeatybones.com/pdf/Vet%20Dentistry%201993.pdf> which includes a legal opinion regarding veterinary endorsement and sale of processed products.

In 2018 A/professor Richard Malik, feline medicine specialist and editor at the Centre for Veterinary Education was concerned at the poor uptake of raw meaty bones teaching. He commissioned me to write 'Raw meaty bones essentials'

<http://www.rawmeatybones.com/pdf/C&T%205682%20%20Lonsdale%20Raw%20meaty%20bones%20essentials%20June%202018.pdf>

So that all RCVS councillors gain a fuller understanding of the cruelty, fraud and general illegality of the veterinary promotion of junk food and the subsequent overservicing of junk pet food fed pets' needs, I suggest that they make

careful study of the information at:

<https://www.thepetfoodcon.com/case-studies/>

Please indicate if you have supplied or intend to supply the information contained in this email message to all RCVS councillors and to the RCVS solicitors.

I look forward to your comments and questions.

Best wishes,

Tom

**From:** Luke Bishop <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 21, 2024 8:01 PM  
**To:** Tom Lonsdale <[tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)>  
**Cc:** [mediavets@gmail.com](mailto:mediavets@gmail.com); Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>; Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

Hi Tom,

Thank you for your email and apologies for not responding to you sooner.

Could you send me what you would like to/ intend to say to the Council members and then we can go from there?

Best wishes,

**Luke Bishop**  
**Media & Publications Manager**

**Communications**  
**Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons**  
The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN

**T** [+442072020784](tel:+442072020784)

[www.rcvs.org.uk](http://www.rcvs.org.uk)

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) is incorporated by Royal Charter in England and Wales (RC000467)  
Our Head office is: The Cursitor, 38 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1EN  
This message is private and confidential. If you have received this message in error, please notify us and remove it from your system.  
We may monitor email for the purposes of security and confidentiality

**From:** Tom Lonsdale  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 10, 2024 2:26 PM  
**To:** 'Luke Bishop' <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>

**Cc:** Eleanor Ferguson <[e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:e.ferguson@rcvs.org.uk)>; Dawn Wiggins <[d.wiggins@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:d.wiggins@rcvs.org.uk)>; Hannah Alderton <[h.alderton@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:h.alderton@rcvs.org.uk)>; Ian Holloway <[i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:i.holloway@rcvs.org.uk)>; 'Luke Bishop' <[l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk](mailto:l.bishop@rcvs.org.uk)>; [david.barrett@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:david.barrett@bristol.ac.uk); [sinead.bennett@mcrvets.com](mailto:sinead.bennett@mcrvets.com); [mark.bowen@medicine.vet](mailto:mark.bowen@medicine.vet); [rexrocco@aol.com](mailto:rexrocco@aol.com); [Paddy.Gordon@sheptonvets.com](mailto:Paddy.Gordon@sheptonvets.com); [ccameronian@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ccameronian@yahoo.co.uk); [PeterHiggins@bigpond.com](mailto:PeterHiggins@bigpond.com); [zarajkennedy@gmail.com](mailto:zarajkennedy@gmail.com); [penny+RCVS@amos-vale.net](mailto:penny+RCVS@amos-vale.net); Kate Richards - External <[k8richards@hotmail.com](mailto:k8richards@hotmail.com)>; [reception@sandersonvet.com](mailto:reception@sandersonvet.com); [sally.schroeder@berryhousevets.co.uk](mailto:sally.schroeder@berryhousevets.co.uk); [drlarawilsonmba@gmail.com](mailto:drlarawilsonmba@gmail.com); [mediavets@gmail.com](mailto:mediavets@gmail.com); Roger Meacock MRCVS <[roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:roger@naturalhealingsolutions.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: RCVS Council 2024 election timetable

Dear Luke,

Thanks for comprehensive timetable.

By way of providing fuller information and evidence regarding my candidacy I've posted the manifesto complete with links at:  
<https://www.thepetfoodcon.com/2024-royal-college-of-veterinary-surgeons-council-election/>

The attached *Multi-Billion-Dollar Pet Food Fraud: Hiding in Plain Sight* expands on the manifesto and puts flesh on the bones of my 33 years campaign for vet accountability.

The most recent book review provides a layperson's grasp of the issues.  
<https://www.thepetfoodcon.com/review-of-multi-billion-dollar-pet-food-fraud/>

It's my hope that all RCVS registered vets will vote for accountability, sign and share the House of Commons petition:

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/651425>.

To the ultimately successful candidates in this year's election, I wish you well in your service and hope that you will carry on the work that was first started in 1991

<http://www.rawmeatybones.com/newsletters/11-1%20Dec%202011%20-%2020th%20Anniversary.pdf>

Thanks and best wishes,

Tom

Tom Lonsdale

Mobile: +61 (0)437 292 800

Email: [tom@rawmeatybones.com](mailto:tom@rawmeatybones.com)

**NATURE'S DESIGN FOR  
HEALTH AND VITALITY**

**FACTORY-MADE  
AND FRAUD**

