

Working Trials 5 Year Strategy - Commencing June 2026

	Topic	Action points	Action by	Action date	Status	Review date
a	To ensure the health, fitness, safety and welfare of dogs taking part in WT sport, specifically researching the Jumps.	Jump Research Panel set up in January 2023 and research of various dogs accessing the jumps took place in July 2025	RKC & jump research panel	July 2026	Ongoing. Awaiting the result of research carried out in July 2025	July 2026
b	To engage with potential new handlers to increase interest and competitors in Working Trials	Working Trials to more prominent on the RC website. RKC website easier to navigate Ensure 'Find a club' only relates to WT clubs. Engage with RKC young handlers at training weekends Exposure to DTW/Dog Sport magazine	RKC & Working Trials Liaison Council	July 2026 onwards	Ongoing	July 2027
c	To optimise the number of judges available	Make it more appealing to judge – allow judges to enter a stake they are not judging Increase the number of accredited trainers available to carry out judging assessments.	WTLC & Activities Committee Accredited trainers	July 2026 onwards	Ongoing	July 2027
d	Minimise the trend of downward number of Working Trials held.	Raise the profile of the Trials manager	RKC & WTLC	July 2026 onwards	Ongoing	July 2027