

## **COMMITTEE FOR AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2021  
ROOM 30, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

Present: Mr Declan McAleer MLA (Chairperson)  
Ms Clare Bailey MLA  
Mrs Rosemary Barton MLA  
Mr John Blair MLA (via StarLeaf)  
Mr Maurice Bradley MLA (via StarLeaf)  
Mr Harry Harvey MLA  
Mr William Irwin MLA

In attendance: Ms Barbara Love, Committee Clerk  
Ms Stella McArdle, Committee Clerk (via StarLeaf)  
Ms Elaine Farrell, Assistant Clerk (via Starleaf)  
Ms Angela McParland  
Ms Kate Duffy, Clerical Officer (via StarLeaf)

*The meeting commenced in open session at 3.08p.m.*

#### **1. Apologies**

Mr Philip McGuigan  
Mr Patsy McGlone

#### **2. Oral Briefing from Northern Ireland Fishermen's Federation (NIFF) – Impact of EU Exit on Fishing Industry**

Mr Alan McCulla OBE, Anglo North Irish Fish Producers Organisation and  
Mr Harry Wick, Northern Ireland Fish Producers Organisation, joined the  
meeting at 3.08 p.m.:

Mr McCulla and Mr Wick briefed the Committee on the impact of EU Exit on the fishing industry and particularly on the proposals for the apportioning of additional quota as a result of leaving the EU between the UK Administrations.

The oral evidence session was reported by Hansard.

*Maurice Bradley joined the meeting at 3.17p.m.*

A question and answer session followed.

The Chairperson thanked the witnesses for their attendance.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to write to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and convey its support for the Federation's position of ensuring the Northern Ireland fishing industry is allocated its fair share of the additional quota.

### **3. Any Other Business**

None.

### **4. Date, time and place of the next meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs will take place on Thursday 21 January 2021 at 10.00 a.m. in Room 30, Parliament Buildings.

*The meeting adjourned at 3.54p.m.*

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Declan McAleer, Chairperson, Committee for Agriculture and Rural Development

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Date

