



## POULTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Poultry Committee met on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 8.00pm in The Royal Hotel, Cookstown.

**ATTENDANCE:** T Forgrave (Chairman), M Blair, A Holden, R Abernethy, T Douglas, S Wilson, R Campbell, S Millar, E Daly, J Anderson.

**IN-ATTENDANCE:** I Ferguson (Deputy President), G Thompson (Policy Officer).

1) **APOLOGIES:** B McCready, E O'Hara, D Ramsay, J Tuft, A Wilson, T Gilmore, S Montgomery, J Thompson.

2) **MINUTES:** The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed.

**3) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Following the last meeting, the poultry committee requested a meeting with DETI to discuss changes being made to the RHI scheme. At this meeting, DETI informed the UFU that non domestic uptake of the RHI has increased significantly over the last 12 months with applications increasing from 130 to over 800. Committed monthly expenditure is now in excess of £1.4 million and control measures must now be put in place to ensure future budgetary levels will not be breached. As such, DETI will be introducing a tiered tariff structure from November 4<sup>th</sup>. This will apply to non domestic biomass installations (20-199 kW installations) made on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> November. The first 1314 hours will be paid at the standard tariff (6.4 pence per kWh) with a reduced tariff of 1.5 pence per kWh applied thereafter. It is expected that the higher tier will cover the capital cost and the reduced tier will cover the ongoing running costs. Additionally, a cap of 400,000 kWh will be applied as a maximum annual heat payment. At this stage, the UFU is disappointed with this proposal but acknowledge the reasoning behind it.

Irrelevant information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

**MAIN MEETING:**

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**6) BROILER MARKET UPDATE:**

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**7) BREEDER MARKET UPDATE:**

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**8) TURKEY MARKET UPDATE:**

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**9) AVIAN INFLUENZA UPDATE:**

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**10) NOMINATION FOR DARD/EU ANIMAL HEALTH TECHNICAL GROUP**

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**11) DETI/RHI UPDATE**

Discussed under section 3.

**12) AGM**

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**13) AOB**

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With no other business raised for discussion, the meeting subsequently closed at 10.30pm.