



## POULTRY COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Poultry Committee met on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 8.00pm in The Royal Hotel, Cookstown.

**ATTENDANCE:** R Campbell (Chairman), T Forgrave, M Blair, E O'Hara, J Tuft, A Holden, A Wilson, S Millar, E Daly.

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

- 1) **APOLOGIES:** D Ramsay, R Smyth, R Abernethy, T Douglas, W Reid, S Wilson, R Wells.
- 2) **MINUTES:** The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
- 3) **CORRESPONDENCE:**

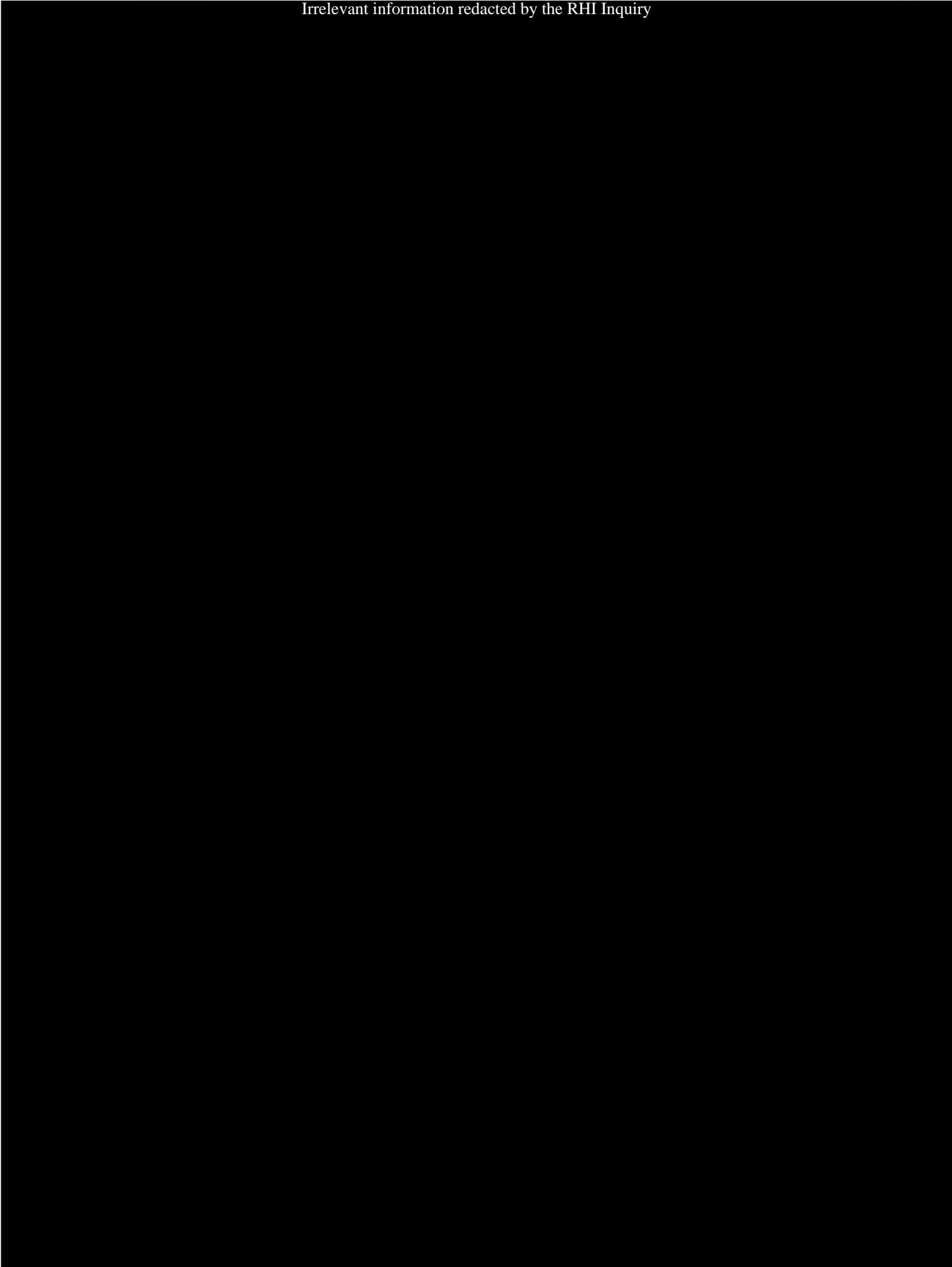
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#### 4) **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

MAIN MEETING:

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#### 14) AOB

The new chairman highlighted proposed alterations to the renewable heat incentive (RHI) scheme which provides financial support for non-domestic heat generators. At this stage, industry uptake for the scheme has been so strong that it appears to be underfunded. As such, DETI are proposing to drastically reduce the money paid out to new entrants to the scheme. The chairman highlighted that this has serious implications

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for the industry, particularly to farmers that currently have planning permission applications submitted. The committee suggested arranging a meeting with DETI to discuss these concerns and to highlight frustration as to why such a change is being considered without due consultation with the industry.

**Action** – Policy officer to request that C Osborne (UFU renewables policy officer) arrange a meeting with DETI as soon as possible.

The date of the next meeting was suggested for the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in The Royal Hotel, Cookstown.

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