

29 September 2010

TO: ALL RURAL ENTERPRISE POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dear Member,

The next meeting of the Rural Enterprise Policy Committee will be held on:

**MONDAY 11 OCTOBER 2010
IN
AFBI HILLSBOROUGH
AT 10.30AM**

The Chairman would wish the Committee to note the agenda for the day;

11.00-12.00pm	Tour of Anaerobic Digestion plant and update from Peter Frost
12.00-12.30pm	Lunch in Conference Hall
12.30-3.30pm	Committee meeting in Morrison Room (agenda below)

**CHRIS OSBORNE
SECRETARY**

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes of meeting held 15 April 2010 (to be circulated at the meeting)
- 3 Matters Arising
- 4 Correspondence
- 5 Update on work to date
- 6 CAFRE – Practical On-Farm Renewable Energy Event
- 7 Assessment of Potential Development of Renewable Heat in NI (AECOM and Pöyry)
- 8 Strategic Energy Framework Directive
- 9 Proposed changes to the Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation
- 10 Any other business
- 11 Date of next meeting



Rural Enterprise Committee

The Rural Enterprise Policy Committee met on Monday 11 October 2010 at AFBI Hillborough.

ATTENDANCE: H Sinclair (Deputy President), D McElrea (Chairman), R Craig, P Lundy and J Martin.

APOLOGIES: J McCleghan (Vice Chairman) A Hunter and L Knox

IN ATTENDANCE: C Osborne (Secretary)

MINUTES: The Chairman read through the minutes of the last meeting. The minutes of the 15 April meeting were agreed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING: Corrections of last meeting noted by Secretary and will be amended.

CORREONDANCE: None

RURAL ENTERPRISE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Chairman and Secretary provided an update on work to date since the last meeting;

- **Renewable Heat Oversight Group**

UFU were invited to sit on this group in April and May, cumulating in a report from AECOM and POYRY Development of Renewable Heat in Northern Ireland. This was incorporated into the SEF with mention of a 10% Heat target from Renewables and there will be further work in the future.

- **SONI (Systems Operator Northern Ireland) meeting**

Irrelevant Information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

- **Meeting with Professor Neil Hewitt UJ Centre for Sustainable Technologies**

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- **NIE meeting – Sarah McClintock, Bronagh Lunney and Stephen Thompson**

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○ **SMALLEST (University of Ulster Business School)**

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○ **Supply Chain Feeder Event on Anaerobic Digestion – 29 July 2010**

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○ **Developing Bioenergy Seminar – 7 September – Dunadry**

Irrelevant Information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

○ **Evidence to NI Assembly ETI Committee**

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CAFRE – PRACTICAL ON-FARM RENEWABLE ENERGY DAY

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STRATEGIC ENERGY FRAMEWORK DIRECTIVE

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TOUR OF ANAEROBIC DIGESTION PLANT

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PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE NORTHERN IRELAND RENEWABLES OBLIGATION

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Support for Anaerobic Digestion (AD) -

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Refurbishment and Replacement of Existing Equipment -

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Microgeneration Certification Scheme (MCS) –

Irrelevant Information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

Sustainability Criteria (SC) for Biomass –

Irrelevant Information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in mid January and a site visit to see the Biomass Boiler in Cookstown Leisure Centre was suggested followed by a Committee meeting in a local venue.