

## **Meeting to discuss end of life fishing vessels Klondyke Building, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

### **Present:**

John Speers (JS), DAERA (Chair)

Claire Vincent (CV), DAERA

Kevin Quigley (KQ), NIFHA

Jim Wright (JW), NIEA

Paddy Campbell (PC), DAERA

Mark McCaughan (MMcC), DAERA

Trevor McQuoid (TMQ), DAERA

### **1. Introductions and apologies**

Apologies – David Lindsay, and Gareth Greer – who asked to be kept informed of developments.

### **2. Minutes of last meeting (amended and attached)**

These were accepted as an accurate record. Actions had been completed.

### **3. Matters arising**

Planning for Facility at Portavogie submitted 17-09-18, in front of planning committee of Ards and North Down Borough Council.

KQ Vessels of concern Kilkeel – Artic Swann, Portavogie – Aquarius, Ardglass - Karen, It was noted that Vessel, Ocean Venture was advertised on Gum Tree contact Peter Caldwell (ANDBC).

Owners should be aware of their obligations for end of life vessels regarding appropriate method statement for disposal and plans for such.

KQ NIFHA operated ports may require the potential requirement for an upfront fee in addition to berthing costs to discourage long term berthing of end of life or obsolete vessels. May require a revision of powers under which NIFHA operates.

What powers or legal rights does the Department have to release a licensing entitlement, as this is not covered by licensing regulations? May require a revision of powers under which DAERA operates.

Potential to add info for transfer of licence, or advisory notice to request information on licensed decommissioning facility to which the vessel has been taken to. (May be controversial or contentious to the industry).

PC Could we contact License holders over 10yrs on receipt of request for license holder?

MMcC 26 Boats in Northern Ireland currently without entitlement. De-registration of the Vessel?

No Teeth... Require evidence in advance of a new sitting Assembly.

Nominal sale and de-register??

Registrar in Cardiff on behalf of UK.

What do MMO do??

GDPR rights of owners and buyers – do we have the powers??

**AOB**

**Action** – Arrange a further meeting once planning for Portavogie Facility has been approved to discuss next steps.