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Update from Shane Collins

EU Exit: –

- Under the NI Protocol, NI must legally adhere to the EU Official Controls Regulation (OCR) as it is listed in Annex 2 of the protocol. UKG and EU officials are currently engaged in technical discussions to explore whether a negotiated solution can be found that minimises impact on movement of SPS goods between GB and NI.
- DAERA officials are providing information on GB-NI equine movements into these discussions seeking mitigations from some of the issues arising from the existing checks.

Animal Health Law: –

- Again under the NI Protocol, NI must legally adhere to the new EU Animal Health Law (AHL). DAERA currently are on a pathway to compliance with this legislation. Work has commenced to bring forward the full legislative requirements relating to equine identification which includes equine premises registration.
- A consultation on equine identification is due in the new year and discussions are underway with DEFRA on the new requirements for the UK CED that this process will bring.



Department of
**Agriculture, Environment
and Rural Affairs**

Equine Strategy:–

- Our cross-governmental equine strategy steering group is operational again. The aim of the group is to have a draft strategy for consultation by the end of this assembly mandate focusing on items that can be delivered in the short term and then the development of a full equine strategy which will be taken forward in the next assembly mandate. The strategy vision statement is ‘To enhance the economic sustainability of the equine sector in Northern Ireland, releasing its potential for growth and employment through cross departmental collaboration’.
- Current areas of work include progressing farrier registration in NI, developing equine tourism by digitally mapping existing provision of trails/bridleways and further development of Equine assisted therapy and learning courses by CAFRE in partnership with Ulster University

Research

- Funded projects 2021 totalling £339,476
- 21 preliminary applications this year (2018=28, 2019=31, 2020=18)
- 8 selected as scientifically robust and industry-relevant and will supply full funding proposals by February 2022
- Ongoing partnership work on QoL and alternative grazing systems/sustainable land management



2021		
G1021	PP	Bacteraemia and large colon volvulus
G2021	PP	The association between personality, pain expression and emotional states
G3021	PP	Prevalence of mycotoxin ingestion in horses by liquid chromatography
G4021	RG	Back movement in the horse: What is normal in relation to age, breed and use?
G5021	RG	Modelling and mitigating infectious disease risks/British competition and leisure horses
G6021	RG	Synovial fluid, serum protein & metabolite markers to diagnose early osteoarthritis
G7021	PP	Actinobacillus and pasteurella and airway infection
G8021	PP	Exercise based tendon rehabilitation
G9021	PP	Facial expressions of frustration in the horse
G1021	PP	Ophthalmic conditions in geriatric horses
G1121	PP	Implications of track systems for the welfare of horses in the UK and abroad





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Wishing Simon Waterfield a very happy retirement

We will miss you!