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WORKING GROUP 1 – IRISH SEA

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10 March 2025



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Agenda

11:00 – 11:10

1. Welcome and introductions

- Welcome from the Chair (John Lynch)
- Apologies
- Adoption of the agenda
- Action points from the last meeting (9 October 2024)

11:10 – 11:40

2. Enlarged mesh in trawl top sheets in the Nephrops fishery –
Matthew McHugh, Ronan Cosgrove, BIM

11:40 – 12:20

3. State of play EU-UK discussions - Norman Graham, MARE C.5

12:20 – 12:25

4. AOB

- State of play with ORE in the Irish Sea and Seafood/ ORE working group

12:25 – 12:30

5. Summary of actions agreed and decisions adopted by the Chair

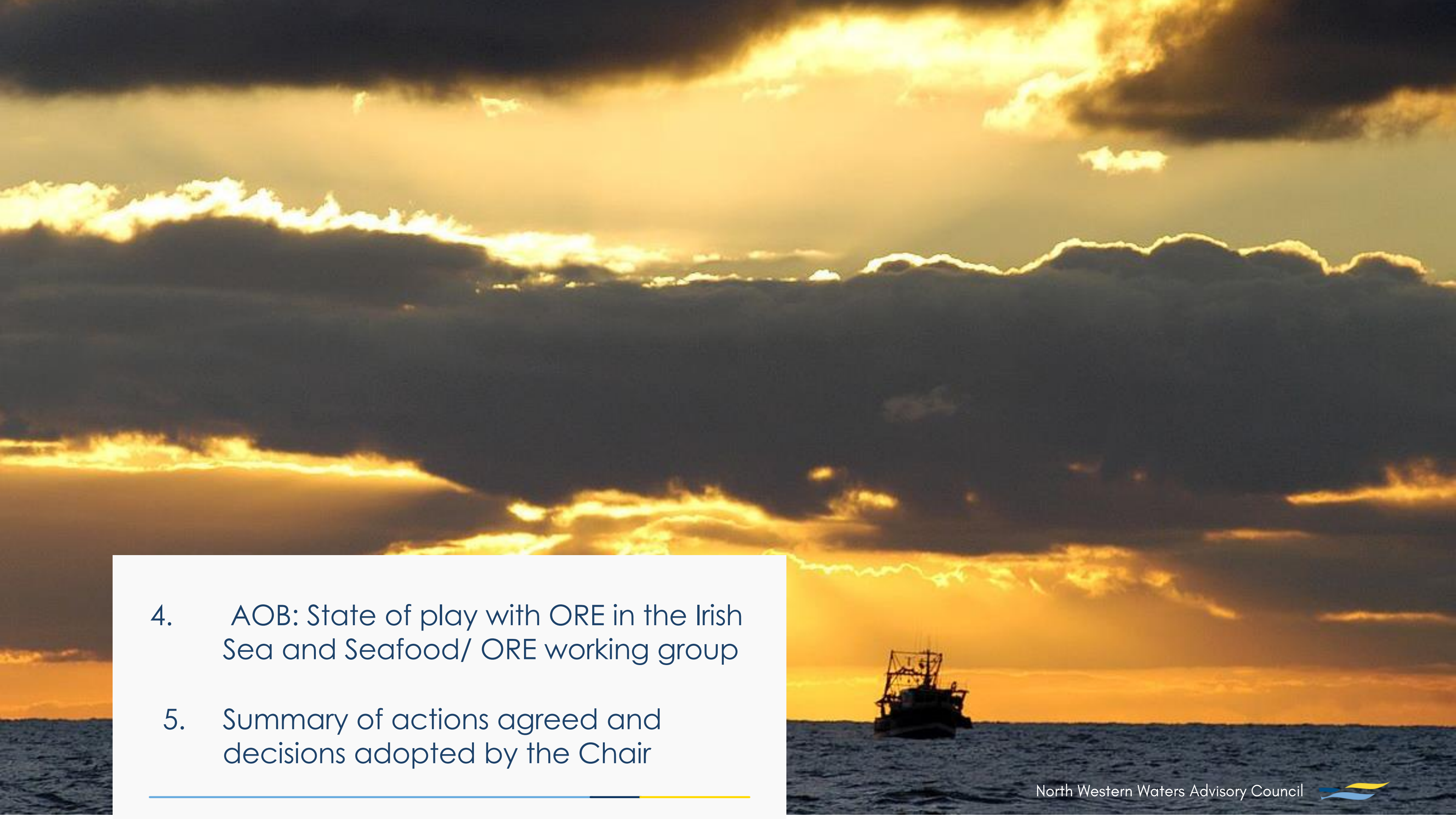
Action points from the last meeting

- 1 The Secretariat will share the updated choke spreadsheet and invite members to send their comments. The input received will feed the preparation of advice by the Focus Group Landing Obligation.
- 2 BIM will be invited to present on their recent trials on new gears in the Irish Sea at the next meeting of Working Group 1.
- 3 The following topics should be looked at to feed the agenda of the next WG meeting: implications of EU-UK management in the Irish Sea and fisheries displacement due to marine protected areas and ORE.



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4. AOB: State of play with ORE in the Irish Sea and Seafood/ ORE working group
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