SoFAB Project Conference Programme

10th September 2014 – Belfast Castle

Time	Topic	Speaker/ Facilitator
9.00 – 9.30	Registration & Coffee	Helen Doherty, SoFAB Project Administrator
Session 1	Overview and Commentary	
9.30 – 9.45	Welcome and Overview of SoFAB Project	Jim Kinsella, Project Manager SoFAB (UCD)
9.45 – 9.55	Personal Experience and Journey of a Social Farming Participant	Shane Loughlin (SoFAB Project Participant)
9.55 – 10.00	Comments on SoFAB Project - Department of Agriculture & Rural Development, NI	David Small, Deputy Secretary, Service Delivery Group, DARD
10.00 – 10.05	Comments on SoFAB Project – Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine, RoI	Ann Derwin, Chief Economist, DAFMk
10.05 – 10.10	Comments on SoFAB Project – Health Service Executive (West), RoI	Anne Marie Ward, Manager, Training and Occupational Support Services, HSE West
10.10 – 10.15	Comments on SoFAB Project – Special EU Programmes Body	Lorraine McCourt, Director Joint Technical Secretariat, SEUPB
Session 2	Outcomes and Milestones	Chair: R. Nelson (QUB)
10.15 – 10.50	Experience and lessons from SoFAB	Aoibeann Walsh, SoFAB Project Development Worker/ Researcher
10.50 – 11.00	Costs of Service Delivery	Jim Kinsella, SoFAB Project Manager
11.00 - 11.20	Coffee	
Session 3	Perspectives on Practice	Chair: Paul Henry (UCD)
11.20 – 11.35	A health service perspective	Iolo Eilian (NI HSC Board) Neil Magowan (DHSSPS NI)
11.35 – 11.50	A farmer's perspective	Marie & Paul Kelly (SoFAB Pilot Farmers)
11.50 – 12.05	Participant perspective	John Murphy (Moeran's Farm Farrenconnell, Co Cavan)
12.05 – 12.20	A view from Europe	Francesco Di Iacovo, University of Pisa, Italy
12.20 – 13.00	SoFAB film <i>The Participants' Perspective</i> followed by viewing of posters	Pilot farmers present posters highlighting their experiences
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
Session 4		
14.00 – 14.15	Making Social Farming Happen	Chair: Brian Smyth (LDCo)
14.15 – 15.15	Break out groups to identify ways of making social farming happen in the future	Mixed groups from delegate list
15.15 – 15.45	Action plan points shared in plenary	Each group presents in plenary followed by summary of Action Points
15.45 – 16.00	Closing Remarks	Jim Kinsella and Paul Kelly
	Coffee	