

Action from E,D&I Committee 2 May 2023	
Agenda Item No:	17
Report Title	Question Time
Responsible Officer:	Rhona Gunn
Information Sought:	Response:
<p>Councillor Warren stated that she had been at a recent meeting of the North East of Scotland Fisheries Development Partnership where seaweed cultivation had been discussed and queried whether any work was being carried out to attract funding so that this can be developed in Moray.</p> <p>In response, the Head of Environmental and Commercial Services advised that she would pass this query to the Head of Economic Growth and Development for a response however assured the Committee that Harbours in Moray are willing to discuss any means available to support this.</p>	<p>Moray Council is not doing anything on seaweed production. Aberdeenshire have a project which they presented at NE fisheries partnership last month which is looking into the feasibility of seaweed and they are looking to do some pilots. This is an area where the local industry could learn from their pilots in the future rather than Moray Council leading on research. Aberdeenshire possibly have a better coastline as ideally you need sheltered bays for seaweed growing.</p>

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