**FROM: ROSEMARY GRAHAM Ref: I/C 11/18**

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**TO: INTERCHANGE PARTNERS**

# Secondment Opportunity with

**The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs – Veterinary Service Animal Health Group**

# HIGHER SCIENTIFIC OFFICER (HSO)

1. I have attached an Interchange Hosting Proforma outlining the details of the above opportunity and ask that you consider bringing it to the attention of staff in your organisation who would be eligible to apply. It is also available on the Interchange Website.

Eligibility

1. The opportunity is aimed at individuals at **middle** management level who have the relevant skills and experience to undertake the duties outlined.

Salary

1. **The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs** will meet salary costs and associated expenses. The salary scale is **£29,317 to £31,446**.

Duration

1. The opportunity will be for 2 years with the possibility of an extension, subject to the agreement of all parties. The secondment will begin as soon as a suitable candidate has been identified and a release date is agreed.

Location

1. The successful candidate will be based in Dundonald House, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, BT4 3SB.

How to apply

1. Interested staff should complete a candidate proforma, available at [www.interchangeni.org.uk](http://www.interchangeni.org.uk) and return it to the Interchange Secretariat at interchangesecretariat@finance-ni.gov.uk  by **5.00pm on Friday 02 March 2018;** otherwise I will assume a nil return. Candidates should demonstrate in the proforma how they meet the skills requirements for the post. This information may be used for shortlisting purposes.

Authorisation

1. All applications **MUST** be accompanied by authorisation from both your Line Manager **and** Interchange Manager, and confirmation that your parent organisation is willing to release you if successful.

Further information

1. If you require any further information about the post, please contact Roly Harwoodin the Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs on 028 9052 0920, or by e-mail to roly.harwood@daera-ni.gov.uk.

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