# **Irish Sea Maritime Forum Biennial Conference 2019 – 15th of January Pierhead Building, Cardiff**

## ***Thoughts on a Postcard:***

“*Will there be the same directives in place to follow post-Brexit ie will EU directives flow into UK law”*

*“Whether Brexit happens or not, and whatever timetable and form the outcome takes, the divisions and “us and them” attitudes exposed by the Brexit vote will remain. The ISMF can help bring all parties closer together. The Isle of Man can be a venue for pursuing this.”*

*“Opportunity to create an identity for the Irish Sea as a cross-border multi-stakeholder sea- potential for collaboration projects. The ISMF could have a role to play in continuing to support the development of that sense of identity.”*

*“[The ISMF has a role in] advocating a joined-up ecosystem based approach for marine government and planning in the face of Brexit. [It has a role to play in] helping us stay informed in Irish Sea scale decisions, funding opportunities and to identify the opportunities for influencing policy at an Irish Sea scale. “*

*“[There is an] opportunity to develop mixed farming systems on a more sustainable basis with benefits in terms of food miles, carbon emissions, bathing water quality etc”*

*“A motivated task group would be a great benefit.”*

*“Are there possibilities to continue or extend Ireland-Wales interreg funding post Brexit? What role could the ISMF play in this?”*