Appendix 1

PROVISIONAL TIMELINE

Provisional Dates	Change
7 June 2024	Make and lay first stage of legislation 'The Dangerous Dogs (Designated Type) Order (Northern Ireland) 2024' Adds XL Bully Dogs to the dangerous dogs list and sets a date for which becomes illegal to own an XL Bully dog without an Exemption Certificate.
28 June 2024	XL bullies must be on a lead and muzzled in a public place. Dogs cannot be bred, gifted, sold, exchanged, abandoned or to allowed to stray. It is still legal to own an XL Bully dog.
Before Assembly summer recess	Make and lay second stage of legislation. 'The Dangerous Dogs (Compensation and Exemption Schemes) Order (Northern Ireland) 2024'.
1 August 2024	Applications for exemption certificates open.
31 December 2024	After this date it is illegal to own an XL Bully dog without an exemption certificate.

^{*}Note - dates are subject to slight changes, depending on exact date first SR comes into operation and discussions with councils and veterinary associations on detail of second SR.

Further detail on dates for applications closing, submitting neutering certificates etc will be confirmed when second SR is settled.