

COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2012 ROOM 21

Present:

Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Séan Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr John Dallat MLA
Mr Stewart Dickson MLA
Mr Alex Easton MLA
Mrs Dolores Kelly MLA
Mr Declan McAleer MLA
Mr Ian McCrea MLA
Mr David McNarry MLA

In attendance:

Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

Mr Paul Carlisle (Clerk to the Committee)
Mr Nathan McVeigh (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mr Brian Mahan (Bursary Student)
Ms Tara McKee (Clerical Supervisor)
Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)

Apologies:

Mr Ross Hussey MLA

10.32am The meeting commenced in open session

1. Apologies

As above.

2. Chairperson's Business

NONE

10.34am Mr McAleer joined the meeting

10.34am Mr McCrea joined the meeting

3. Draft Minutes

Agreed: The Committee agreed the minutes of the meeting of 3rd October 2012.

Agreed: Members agreed that the Clerk should provide a terms of reference for a

comprehensive inquiry into the Northern Ireland Transport Holding

Company/Translink.

4. Correspondence

Members noted the correspondence received.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding

Penalty Charges on Lisburn Road and agreed to forward the letter to the Lisburn Road Business Association and write to the Department asking for a

breakdown of where the remaining tickets have been issued.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding Public

Consultation on the Review of the Door 2 Door Scheme.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding A5 –

Impact of legal action on Vesting Orders and agreed to write to the

Department asking when they anticipate this issue to be resolved and what

compensation will be given to land owners.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding

Belfast Cycle Survey.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding

Railway Halt at Ballykelly and agreed to write to the Minister of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development asking what

infrastructures are being put in place to facilitate the relocation of civil

service staff to Ballykelly.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding

Construction of a bus station in Banbridge.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from Northern Ireland Greenways

regarding its briefing to the Committee.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from Belfast Healthy Cities regarding

its briefing to the Committee.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from the Committee for the

Environment regarding abandoned building sites and properties and

unfinished housing developments.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from Belfast City Airport Watch

regarding the Draft Aviation Policy Framework.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from Northern Ireland Water

regarding a mock incident taking place.

5. Belfast Healthy Cities Briefing

10.48am The following Officials joined the meeting:

Joan Devlin – Director Belfast Healthy Cities DR Geraint Ellis – Queens University Belfast

The Officials presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

10.50am	Mrs Kelly joined the meeting
10.51am	Mr Ó hOisín joined the meeting
10.54am	Mr Dallat left the meeting
10.57am	Mr McNarry left the meeting
11.05am	Mr McNarry rejoined the meeting
11.05am	Mr Dallat rejoined the meeting
11.07am	Mr Easton left the meeting
11.11am	Mr Easton rejoined the meeting
11.12am	Mr Dallat left the meeting

The Officials left the meeting

Mrs Kelly left the meeting

11.14am

11.15am

6. Shop Mobility Briefing

Mr McCrea declared an interest as a member of the Committee for Shop Mobility in Cookstown.

11.16am The following representatives joined the meeting:

Dame Joan Harbinson Paula Martin Anne Collins

The representatives presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

Agreed: That the Committee write to the Department asking them why the match

funding was reduced from 75% to 50%, why match funding was necessary and why "in kind" contributions were not considered as appropriate forms of match

funding.

Agreed: That the Committee write to the Department of Regional Development, the

Department of the Office of the First and deputy First Minister and the

Department of Social Development regarding this issue.

11.20am Mr Dallat rejoined the meeting

11.25am Mrs Kelly rejoined the meeting

11.34am Mr Lynch left the meeting

11.53am Mrs Kelly left the meeting

11.54am Mr Lynch rejoined the meeting

11.55am Mr McNarry left the meeting

11.58am The representatives left the meeting

7. Northern Ireland Water Briefing

12.00pm The following Official joined the meeting:

George Butler – Director of Asset Management

The representatives presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

12.04pm Mr McNarry rejoined the meeting

12.22pm Mr McAleer left the meeting

12.25pm The officials left the meeting

8. Northern Ireland Greenways Briefing

12.26pm The following representative joined the meeting:

Jonathan Hobbs - representative

The representative presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

12.26pm Mr McCrea left the meeting

12.27pm Mr Dallat left the meeting

12.39pm Mr Dallat rejoined them meeting

12.40pm Mr McAleer rejoined the meeting

12.43pm The representative left the meeting

12.43pm Mr Easton left the meeting

9. Departmental Briefing: Greenways

12.44pm The following officials joined the meeting:

Simon Richardson – Acting Head of Engineering Policy and Parking Service Chris Galbraith – Parking Enforcement Contracts Manager

The official presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

12.46pm Mr McCrea rejoined the meeting

12.51pm Mr Dallat left the meeting

12.53pm Mr Lynch left the meeting

12.56pm Mr Lynch rejoined the meeting

12.56pm Mr Ó hOisín left the meeting

12.59pm Mr Ó hOisín rejoined the meeting

1.03pm The official left the meeting

10. Departmental Briefing: Car Parking Issues

1.05pm Mr McNarry left the meeting

1.05pm The following officials joined the meeting:

Simon Richardson – Acting Head of Engineering Policy and Parking Service Chris Galbraith – Parking Enforcement Contracts Manager

The official presented to the Committee in respect of the above. Following the presentation, Members put questions.

13.16pm Mr Dickson left the meeting

13.19pm Mr Dickson rejoined the meeting

1.21pm The official left the meeting

8. Subordinate legislation not subject to Assembly procedure

Members noted:

• The Off-Street Parking (Amendment No.5) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

9. SR 359 The Tullynacross Road, Lisburn (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

Agreed: The Committee for Regional Development considered Statutory Rule

2012/359 The Tullynacross Road, Lisburn (Abandonment) Order (Northern

Ireland) 2012 and has no objection to the rule.

10. SR 360 The Templemore Street, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

Agreed: The Committee for Regional Development considered Statutory Rule

2012/360 The Templemore Street, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern

Ireland) 2012 and has no objection to the rule.

11. SR 361 The C156 (Unnamed Road) Moyraverty, Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

Agreed: The Committee for Regional Development considered Statutory Rule

2012/361 The C156 (Unnamed Road) Moyraverty, Craigavon (Abandonment)

Order (Northern Ireland) 2012 and has no objection to the rule.

12. SR 339 The Trunk Road T14 (A55 Knock Road, Belfast) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

Agreed: The Committee for Regional Development considered Statutory Rule

2012/339 The Trunk Road T14 (A55 Knock Road, Belfast) Order (Northern

Ireland) 2012 and has no objection to the rule.

13. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday 17th October 2012 at 11.00am in Room 21.

1.24pm The meeting was adjourned

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Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development 17/10/12