

COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2014 ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present:

Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA (Chairperson) Mr Joe Byrne MLA Mr Alex Easton MLA Mr Declan McAleer MLA Mr David McNarry MLA

In attendance:

Mrs Kathy O'Hanlon (Clerk to the Committee) Mr Gavin Ervine (Assistant Assembly Clerk) Mr Mark O'Hare (Clerical Supervisor) Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)

Apologies:

Mr Sean Lynch MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr John Dallat MLA
Mrs Brenda Hale MLA
Mr Ross Hussey MLA
Mr Kieran McCarthy MLA
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

10:14am The meeting commenced in open session

1. Apologies

As above.

The Committee did not have a decision-making quorum, therefore proceeded to evidence sessions.

2. Department for Regional Development and NI Water Briefing: Reservoir Bill

10:15am The following officials joined the meeting

Robert Crawford – Director of Water Policy Division and Shareholder Unit, DRD Bill Gowdy – Acting Director of Engineering Procurement, NI Water Paddy Brow – Head of Asset Strategy, NI Water

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

Mr McAleer declared an interest as a member of a community group that is involved in leasing a lake/reservoir from NI Water.

Mr Spratt declared an interest as an MLA for the South Belfast Constituency, during discussions on Knockbracken Reservoir.

10:18am	Mr Easton joined the meeting
10:33am	Mr Easton left the meeting
10:35am	Mr Byrne left the meeting
10:35am	As the Committee lost quorum the meeting was suspended
10:36am	Mr Easton re-joined the meeting
10:36am	The meeting resumed in open session
10:55am	The officials left the meeting

3. Translink Briefing: Integrated Ticketing System

10:56am The following representative joined the meeting

Ciaran Rogan – Marketing Executive, Translink

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

11:25am The representative left the meeting

The Chairperson advised Members that he would raise the issue of the new integrated ticketing system and its associated costs with the Department.

Members noted:

• The Parking Places on Roads (Electric Vehicles) (Amendment No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2014

5. Any Other Business

6. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be Wednesday 19th February 2014 at 9:00am in Chamber of Commerce House, Great Victoria Street, Belfast.

11:29am The meeting was adjourned

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Mr Jimmy Spratt MLA Chairperson, Committee for Regional Development 19/02/14