

Northern Ireland Assembly

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 10^{TH} DECEMBER 2013, ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT

Present: Mr Stephen Moutray (Chairperson)

Mr Roy Beggs

Mr Gregory Campbell

Mr Paul Givan Mr Trevor Lunn Mr Seán Rogers Ms Caitríona Ruane Mr Pat Sheehan

Apologies: Mr Alex Attwood

In Attendance: Mr John Simmons (Assembly Clerk)

Ms Ursula McCanny (Assistant Assembly Clerk)

Mr Joseph Westland (Clerical Supervisor)

The meeting opened at 10.36am in public session.

1. Apologies

Apologies as detailed above.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Agreed: The Committee agreed the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 26th November 2013.

3. Matters Arising

Agreed: The Committee noted the email from Peter Emerson, of the DeBorda Institute, regarding the use of the Borda Count voting process. The Committee agreed to send an acknowledgement to Mr Emerson in response.

There were no further matters arising.

4. Review of Petitions of Concern

The Chairperson reminded Members that it was agreed at previous meetings that the discussion on this topic be held in closed session, given that it is likely to refer to the legal advice presented to the Committee at the 24th September 2013 meeting.

Agreed: To move into closed session.

The Committee moved into closed session at 10.37am.

Mr Paul Givan joined the meeting at 10.38am.

Mr Pat Sheehan joined the meeting at 10.40am.

The Committee discussed the Party responses to the Options Paper and the draft Terms of Reference of the Review.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Secretariat should draft an updated Terms of Reference for the Review, incorporating the points raised by Members, to be considered and agreed at the Committee's next meeting.

The Committee moved into open session at 11.08am.

5. Forward Work Programme

The Chairperson advised Members that the purpose of this agenda item was for Members to consider the meetings scheduled for the Committee's current Review.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that it was content with the Forward Work Programme as drafted.

6. Any Other Business

There were no other items of business.

7. Date, Time and Place of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Assembly and Executive Review Committee will be held on Tuesday 14th January 2014 at 10.30am in room 21.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11.09am.

Mr Stephen Moutray, Chairperson Assembly and Executive Review Committee