



**Northern Ireland
Assembly**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2014, ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT**

Present:	Mr Stephen Moutray (Chairperson)	
	Mr Roy Beggs	
	Ms Paula Bradley	
	Mr Gregory Campbell	
	Mr Paul Givan	
	Mr Trevor Lunn	
	Mr Raymond McCartney	
	Mr Seán Rogers	
	Ms Caitríona Ruane	
	Mr Pat Sheehan	
Apologies:	None.	
In Attendance:	Mr John Simmons	(Assembly Clerk)
	Ms Ursula McCanny	(Assistant Assembly Clerk)
	Mr Jim Nulty	(Clerical Supervisor)
	Mr Tim Moore	(Senior Research Officer)

The meeting opened at 10.35am in public session.

1. Apologies

No apologies were received.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Agreed: The Committee agreed the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 28th January 2014.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Ms Caitríona Ruane joined the meeting at 10.36am.

4. Review of Petitions of Concern

The Chairperson advised Members that the purpose of this agenda item was to continue the Committee's discussion on the Review of Petitions of Concern.

The Chairperson referred Members to the Assembly Research Briefing Paper 'Human Rights and Equality Proofing of Public Bills' and invited the Senior Research Officer from Assembly Research and Information Service to join the meeting.

The Assembly Senior Research Officer joined the meeting at 10.37am.

The Assembly Senior Research Officer briefed the Committee on the Research Paper.

The briefing was followed by a question and answer session.

Mr Paul Givan left the meeting at 10.44am.

The Chairperson thanked the Assembly Senior Research Officer for his briefing and for attending the meeting.

The Assembly Senior Research Officer left the meeting at 10.59am.

The Chairperson advised the Committee that they had the option of moving into closed session for the discussion on the Review of Petitions of Concern.

Agreed: To move into closed session.

The Committee moved into closed session at 11am.

The Committee discussed four papers on the different elements of its Review of Petitions of Concern, as set out in the agreed Terms of Reference.

Mr Raymond McCartney joined the meeting at 11.06am.

Ms Paula Bradley left the meeting at 11.14am.

Mr Roy Beggs joined the meeting at 11.14am.

Ms Caitríona Ruane and Mr Seán Rogers left the meeting at 11.15am.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Secretariat should draft revised papers for further discussion at its next meeting.

The Committee moved into open session at 11.23am.

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 25th February 2014 at 10.30am in room 21.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11.24am.

**Mr Stephen Moutray, Chairperson
Assembly and Executive Review Committee**