



**Northern Ireland
Assembly**

ASSEMBLY AND EXECUTIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2015, ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,
BALLYMISCAW, STORMONT**

Present: Mr Stephen Moutray (Chairperson)
Ms Paula Bradley
Mr Danny Kennedy
Mr Raymond McCartney
Mr Séan Rogers
Ms Caitríona Ruane

In Attendance: Ms Claire McCanny (Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Ms Kate McCullough (Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mr Jim Nulty (Clerical Supervisor)

The meeting opened at 10.08 am in public session.

1. Apologies

Mr Alastair Ross, Mr Gregory Campbell

2. Matters Arising

The Committee noted the Register of Members' Interests for Mr Danny Kennedy.

3. Draft End of Session Report – September 2014-August 2015

Members considered the Committee's draft End of Session Report for September 2014-August 2015.

Agreed: Members agreed the Assembly and Executive Review Committee's End of Session Report for September 2014-August 2015

4. Correspondence

The Committee considered a letter from the Chairperson of the Social Development Committee seeking clarification on a proposed timetable for Committee consideration of Section 28a of the NI Act 1998 relating to the Ministerial Code.

Agreed: Members agreed to write to the Social Development Committee to provide clarification on the Assembly and Executive Review Committee's remit for consideration of this matter.

The Committee considered a letter from Mr John McCallister MLA regarding his Assembly and Executive Reform (Assembly Opposition) Bill.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to invite Mr. John McCallister MLA to brief the Committee on the Assembly and Executive Reform Bill at its next meeting on 13 October 2015

Caitríona Ruane joined the meeting at 10.16am

5. Forward Work Programme

The Chair briefed the Committee on the provisions of Parts 3 and 4 of the NI Act 1998 which the Committee had previously agreed would merit further consideration. The Chair also reminded the Committee of the parameters to undertake this work as provided under Section 29a and 29b of the NI Act 1998 and Standing Order 59(3).

Members considered the programme for the Committee Stage of the Assembly and Executive Reform (Assembly Opposition) Bill including the timetable for gathering evidence to the end of the Committee stage.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to return to consider the Forward Work Programme should the Bill be referred to the Assembly and Executive Review Committee.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that it was content for Daniel Greenberg to facilitate a Politics Plus session for the Committee on Tuesday 20 October 2015.

Agreed: Members agreed to consult with their Parties and to consider future areas of work for the Assembly and Executive Committee at a later meeting.

6. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Date, time and Place of next meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday 13 October 2015 at 10.00am in Room 21

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10.18 am

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