



Northern Ireland
Assembly

AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 2015
ROOM 21, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present: Mr David Hilditch (Deputy Chairperson)
Ms Michaela Boyle
Ms Anna Lo

In Attendance: Mr Paul Gill (Assembly Clerk)
Ms Claire McCanny (Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk)
Mr Jonathan Kerr (Clerical Officer)
Ms Alison Ferguson (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mr Danny Kinahan (Chairperson)

The meeting commenced at 15.31pm in closed session

Chairperson's Introduction

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the meeting should be held in closed session.

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the meeting.

1. Apologies

As above.

2. Declaration of Interests

The Chairperson reminded Members of their obligation to declare any relevant financial or other interests before and during each Committee meeting.

3. Draft minutes of the meeting held on 14th April 2015.

Agreed: The draft minutes of the meeting held on 14th April 2015 were agreed by the Committee.

4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Committee Report on the NIAO Estimate for 2015-16

Members noted the draft Committee Report on the NIAO Estimate for 2015-2016.

The Clerk briefed the Committee on the background to this issue and on suggested amendments to the draft report.

Agreed: Following discussion the Committee agreed the draft Committee Report on the NIAO Estimates for 2015-16 as amended.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Committee Powers and Membership and Table of Contents should form part of the Report.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that Appendix 1 ‘Other Evidence considered by the Committee’ should form part of the Report.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that Appendix 2 ‘Minutes of Proceedings relating to the Report’ should form part of the Report.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that Appendix 3 ‘Minutes of Evidence relating to the Report’ should form part of the Report.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the tabled extract of today’s Minutes of Proceedings should be included in Appendix 1 of the report.

Agreed The Committee ordered the Report on the Estimates of the Northern Ireland Audit Office 2015-16 to be printed.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Chairperson should write to the Finance Minister setting out the Committee’s position.

6. Any other business

Agreed: The Committee agreed to approve the revised Corporate Plan including the foreword on behalf of the Committee.

There was no other business.

7. Time, date and place of next meeting

Members noted that Committee staff will inform members of the time, date and place of the next meeting in due course.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 15.41pm.

Roy Beggs
Chairperson
Audit Committee

Dated: 30 June 2015