

NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY
BUSINESS COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 03 JUNE 2014
IN ROOM 106, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

MINUTES

The meeting began at 12.35pm.

Present:	Ms Ruane	Acting Chairperson
	Mr S Dickson	
	Mr R McCartney	
	Mrs K McKeivitt	
	Lord Morrow	
	Mrs S Overend	
	Mr P Ramsey	
	Mr R Swann	
	Mr P Weir	
In attendance:	Dr A McGarel	Clerk of Business
	Dr G McGrath	Director of Clerking and Reporting
	Ms N Dunwoody	Clerk Assistant
	Mr R Ramsey	Adviser to the Speaker
	Ms F Leneghan	PS/Speaker
	Mr C McNickle	Assistant Assembly Clerk
	Ms Julie Groves	Legal Services
Observers:	Principal Deputy Speaker McLaughlin	
	Deputy Speaker Beggs	
	Mr A Rogers	OFMDFM

1. **Apologies**

1.1 Apologies were received from the Speaker and Mr Gerry Kelly.

2. **Minutes of previous meetings**

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27 May were **agreed** and signed by the Acting Chairperson.

3. **Matters arising**

3.1 There were no matters arising.

4. **Finalisation of the Order Papers for the plenary meetings in week commencing 09 June 2014**

Executive Business

4.1 Members **noted** that there was no change to Executive Business previously scheduled for Monday 09 June and Tuesday 10 June.

Committee Business

4.2 Members **noted** that there was no Committee Business requested for Monday 09 June and Tuesday 10 June.

Private Members' Business

4.3 Members **noted** that there was no Private Members' Business scheduled for Monday 09 June.

4.4 Members **noted** that there was no change to Private Members' Business previously scheduled for Tuesday 10 June.

4.5 Mr Alan Rogers advised that no further business was expected at this stage.

4.6 Mr Swann asked Members to consider suspending the sitting on Monday 09 June so that Members could attend the funeral of the late Sir John Gorman. The Acting Chairperson advised Members that the Speaker led tributes to Sir John Gorman on Monday 02 June and Members **agreed** that Assembly Business would proceed as previously scheduled.

4.7 The draft Order Papers were **agreed**.

5. **Provisional arrangements for the plenary meetings in week commencing 16 June 2014**

Public Petition

5.1 Members **agreed** to schedule the presentation of a Public Petition by Mrs Arlene Foster relating to 'opposition to the closure of Collegiate Grammar School, Enniskillen' on Tuesday 17 March.

Executive Business

5.2 Members **noted** that the following Executive Business was scheduled for Monday 16 June:

- Question Time to the Minister for Regional Development and to the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment;
- Motion to approve the Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes (Automatic Enrolment) Regulations (NI) 2014;
- Consideration Stage of the Budget (No.2) Bill 2014.

5.3 Members **noted** that the following Executive Business was scheduled for Tuesday 17 June:

- Question Time to the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development and to the Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure;
- Further Consideration Stage of the Budget (No.2) Bill 2014.

Committee Business

5.4 Members **agreed** to schedule a motion from the Committee for the Environment on Monday 16 June to extend the Committee Stage of the Road Traffic (Amendment) Bill to 27 March 2015.

5.5 Members **agreed** to schedule a motion from the Committee for the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister on 'Refugee Week 2014 and Community Relations Week 2014'.

5.6 Members **agreed** that up to 1 hour 30 minutes should be allocated for the motion, with the usual speaking times.

5.7 Members **agreed** to schedule a motion from the Committee for Employment and Learning on Tuesday 17 June to extend the Committee Stage of the Work and Families Bill to 30 November 2014.

5.8 Members **agreed** to schedule three motions from the Committee on Procedures on Tuesday 17 June to amend Standing Orders 37, 31, and 35.

5.9 Members **agreed** to schedule a motion from the Committee for Education on its Inquiry into the Education and Training Inspectorate and the School Improvement Process on Tuesday 17 June.

5.10 Members **agreed** that up to 2 hours should be allocated for the motion, with the usual speaking times.

Private Members' Business

5.11 Members **agreed** to schedule one Private Members' Motion on Monday 16 June and one on Tuesday 17 June.

5.12 Under the system of allocation, the selection for Monday 16 June lay with the the DUP and the following motion was selected:

- 'North Coast Transport Infrastructure' (Mr G Robinson, Mr J Spratt, Mr G Campbell, Mr A McQuillan).

5.13 Under the system of allocation, the selection for Tuesday 17 June lay with the Alliance Party and the following motion was selected:

- 'Integrated Education' (Mr T Lunn, Mr C Lyttle, Mr S Dickson, Ms A Lo).

5.14 Members **agreed** that up to 1 hour 30 minutes should be allocated for each motion, with the usual speaking times.

5.15 Members **agreed** to schedule an Adjournment Debate on Tuesday 17 June. Under the system of allocation, the selection lay with the DUP and the following topic was selected:

- 'Bangor Health and Well-Being Centre' (Mr G Dunne).

5.16 Mr Rogers advised that all Ministers were available to respond.

5.17 The provisional Order Papers were **agreed**.

6. Any other business

6.1 Mr Swann suggested that Whips might want to meet to discuss a common position on the Independent Financial Review Panel's 2014 Determination and Mr Ramsey suggested that this meeting should be preceded by a meeting between Whips, the Speaker and the Clerk/Chief Executive's Office.

6.2 It was **agreed** that Whips would meet with the Speaker and the Clerk/Chief Executive's Office to discuss the Independent Financial Review Panel's 2014 Determination.

7. **Date and Time of next meeting**

- 7.1 Members **agreed** to meet at approximately 12.30pm on Tuesday 10 June 2014 in Room 106.

The Acting Chairperson brought the meeting to a close at 12.45pm

**The Speaker
Chairperson**