

NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY
BUSINESS COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 03 DECEMBER 2013
IN ROOM 106, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

MINUTES

The meeting began at 12.35pm.

Present:

The Speaker
Mr S Dickson
Mr S Lynch
Mrs S Overend
Mr P Ramsey
Mr R Swann
Mr P Weir

In attendance:

Ms L Gordon	Clerk of Business
Dr G McGrath	Director of Clerking and Reporting
Ms N Dunwoody	Clerk Assistant
Mr R Ramsey	Adviser to the Speaker
Mr H Widdis	Director of Legal Services
Mr C McNickle	Assistant Assembly Clerk

Observers:

Deputy Speaker Beggs	
Mr A Rogers	OFMDFM

1. Apologies

1.1 Apologies were noted from Mr Gerry Kelly, Mrs Karen McKeivitt and Ms Caitríona Ruane. The Speaker welcomed Mr Lynch to the meeting.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26 November were **agreed** and signed by the Speaker.

3. Matters arising

3.1 There were no matters arising.

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

Executive Business

- 4.1 Members **noted** that there was no change to Executive Business scheduled for Monday 09 December. It was further **noted** that the indicative timings could be subject to change, if amendments were tabled for Further Consideration Stage of the Road Races (Amendment) Bill. It was **agreed** that, if the House needed to sit later than 7.00pm, a motion to extend the sitting would be moved at a convenient point during the day.
- 4.2 Members **noted** that, subject to the possibility of two Ministerial Statements, there was no change to Executive Business scheduled for Tuesday 10 December.

Committee Business

- 4.3 Members **noted** that there was no change to the Committee Business scheduled for Monday 09 December.
- 4.4 Members **noted** that there was no Committee Business scheduled for Tuesday 10 December.

Private Members' Business

- 4.5 Members **noted** that the First Stage of Mr Ramsey's Road Traffic (Speed Limits) Bill would take place on Monday 09 December.
- 4.6 Members **noted** that there would be no Ministerial response to the motion on 'Job Losses at HM Revenue and Customs', scheduled for Monday 09 December.
- 4.7 Members **noted** that there was no change to Private Members' Business scheduled for Tuesday 10 December.
- 4.8 Mr Rogers advised that no further Executive business was expected at this stage.
- 4.9 The draft Order Papers were **agreed**.

5. **Any other business**

- 5.1 Following an enquiry from Mr Ramsey, it was **agreed** to retain the normal lunchtime suspension on Tuesday 10 December, despite there being no Business Committee meeting scheduled, on the basis that other events would be taking place. However, should further business be scheduled that would have a significant impact on the length of the sitting, it was **agreed** that the position would be reviewed.

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

- 6.1 Members **agreed** to meet at approximately 12.30pm on Tuesday 07 January 2014 in Room 106.

The Speaker brought the meeting to a close at 12.39pm

The Speaker
Chairperson