

**NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY**  
**BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY 24 MARCH 2014**  
**IN ROOM 106, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

**MINUTES**

*The meeting began at 09.31am.*

**Present:**

**The Speaker**  
**Mr G Kelly**  
**Mr K McCarthy**  
**Mr P Ramsey**  
**Mr R Swann**  
**Mr P Weir**

**In attendance:**

<b>Ms L Gordon</b>	<b>Clerk of Business</b>
<b>Dr G McGrath</b>	<b>Director of Clerking and Reporting</b>
<b>Mr R Ramsey</b>	<b>Adviser to the Speaker</b>
<b>Ms F Leneghan</b>	<b>PS/Speaker</b>
<b>Mr C McNickle</b>	<b>Assistant Assembly Clerk</b>

**Observers:**

<b>Junior Minister Bell</b>	
<b>Mr A Rogers</b>	<b>OFMDFM</b>

1. **Apologies**

1.1 There were no apologies.

2. **Consideration of revisions to the arrangements for plenary business on Monday 24 March 2014**

2.1 Members **noted** a letter from the First Minister and the deputy First Minister regarding a request to reschedule the Department's Question Time slot to 2.45pm on Monday 24 March 2014, due to their attendance at the funeral of Lord Ballyedmond. Members **further noted** that the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development was content to facilitate the request.

- 2.2 Members also **noted** a letter from the Minister of Justice regarding a request to schedule Executive Committee Business after Private Members' Business on Monday 24 March 2014, due to his attendance at the funeral of Lord Ballyedmond.
- 2.3 Members **noted** the exceptional nature of the circumstances and **agreed** to both requests.
- 2.4 Members **agreed** the revised Order Paper.
- 2.5 Members **agreed** the revised indicative timings.

*The Speaker brought the meeting to a close at 09.32am*

**The Speaker**  
**Chairperson**