



COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 10th April 2014

ROOM 21 PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Present: Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)

Mr David Hilditch MLA
Ms Rosaleen McCorley MLA
Mr Michael McGimpsey MLA
Mr Oliver McMullan MLA
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

Apologies: Mr William Irwin MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Mr William Humphrey MLA
Mr Basil McCrea MLA
Mrs Karen McKeivitt MLA
Mr Dominic Bradley MLA

In attendance: Mr Peter Hall (Clerk)
Mr James Gilsenan (Assistant Clerk)
Mr Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor)
Mr Malcolm Collins (Clerical Officer)

The Committee opened in public session at 10:20am.

1. Apologies

Apologies are noted above.

2. Chairperson's Business

The Committee noted the invite tracker and all invites received.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Minister regarding the late arrival of the briefing paper for this week's meeting.

Noted: The Committee noted the press release of 9 April 2014 regarding the EU Commission's decision that funding for Windsor Park was compliant.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to investigate the options around a joint piece of work to examine the portrayal of young people by the media

3. Draft Minutes

Agreed: Minutes were agreed for the meeting held on the 3rd April 2014.

4. Matters Arising

Noted: The Committee noted the correspondence tracker.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to forward correspondence from the Health Minister to the IFA, GAA and Ulster Rugby.

Noted: The Committee noted the response to the FOI request regarding the Lyric Theatre Board from the Assembly's Legal and Governance Services.

Agreed: The Committee noted correspondence from DCAL regarding Post Project Evaluations.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to the Clerk seeking clarification from the Permanent Secretary regarding comments he made to the Committee at the meeting on 13th March 2014.

5. Oral Briefing on Women and Sport by the Assembly's Research and Information Service (RaISe)

The following officials joined the meeting at 10:30 am

Dr Dan Hull Assembly Researcher
Ms Megan Ward Bursary Student

The officials briefed the Committee.

A question and answer session followed

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to Sport NI requesting information regarding female representation on the boards and senior management of sporting bodies.

Agreed: The Committee agreed further research should be undertaken on some of the issues arising from the briefing.

Mr Michael McGimpsey joined the meeting at 10:55 am

Mr Michael McGimpsey left the meeting at 11:08 am

6. Correspondence

Noted: The Committee noted a copy of a letter to DCAL from the Regional Development Committee. The letter invites the Department to take part in their inquiry into the benefits of cycling to the economy.

7. Forward Work Programme

Agreed: The Committee noted the Forward Work Programme and agreed the changes. The Committee agreed to meet on Tuesday 27th May.

8. Any Other Business

Agreed: The Committee agreed to send a message of support to the Northern Ireland Volleyball Association (NIVA) teams participating in upcoming European Championships.

9. Date, Time, and Place of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure will take place on Thursday 1st May 2014 at 10.00am in the Room 21, Parliament Buildings.

Mr David Hilditch left the meeting at 11:39 am

The Committee moved into closed session at 11.40am

Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA
Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure
1st May 2014