

**COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2013**

**ROOM 21 PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

Present: Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)  
Mr William Irwin MLA (Deputy Chairperson)  
Mr David Hilditch MLA  
Mr Michael McGimpsey MLA  
Ms Rosaleen McCorley MLA  
Mrs Karen McKeivitt MLA  
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA  
Mr Basil McCrea MLA  
Mr Dominic Bradley MLA

Apologies: Mr William Humphrey MLA  
Mr Oliver McMullan MLA

In attendance: Mr Peter Hall (Clerk)  
Ms Ciara McKay (Assistant Clerk)  
Mr Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor)  
Mr Malcolm Collins (Clerical Officer)

*The meeting opened in public session at 10.10am.*

**1. Apologies**

The apologies are noted above.

**2. Draft Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013 were agreed.

**3. Matters Arising**

The Committee noted the correspondence tracker.

The Committee noted correspondence from the Department regarding the timescale for its briefing to the Committee on DCAL's draft Disability Action Plan 2013-2015 and Five Year Review.

The Committee noted the response from the Chairperson of the Independent Review on Boxing regarding the timeline of the Review.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to update its response to OFCOM's consultation on Channel 4's licensing, supporting an increase in the quota for 'out of England' production to 17%.

*Mr Dominic Bradley left the meeting at 10.15am.*

#### **4. DCAL Briefing on the Outcomes of the 2013 World Police and Fire Games**

*The following officials joined the meeting at 10.15am:*

CEO of 2013 World Police and Fire Games, Mr John Tully; and  
Head of 2013 Projects Team, DCAL, Ms Joanna McConway.

The officials briefed the Committee.

*Mr Dominic Bradley rejoined the meeting at 10.20am.*

A question and answer session followed.

*Mr William Irwin joined the meeting at 10.38am*

*Mr Basil McCrea joined the meeting at 10.46am.*

*Mr Michael McGimpsey joined the meeting at 10.59am.*

*Officials left the meeting at 11.03am.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to invite officials to brief it in upon completion of the report assessing the success of the games.

*Mr Basil McCrea left the meeting at 11.04am.*

#### **5. Briefing from Irish Language Organisations Regarding Proposals of a New Funding Model**

*The following officials joined the meeting at 11.05am:*

Director of Ultach Trust, Mr Aodán Mac Póilin;  
Head of Policy and Planning, Altram, Ms Pat McAlister; and  
Manager of the Irish Medium Resource Unit, An tÁisaonad, Mr Ciarán O Pronntaigh.

The officials brief the Committee.

A question and answer session followed.

*Mrs Karen McKeivitt joined the meeting at 11.08am*

*Mr Basil McCrea rejoined the meeting at 11.15am*

*Mr Basil McCrea left the meeting at 11.29am*

*Mr Basil McCrea rejoined the meeting at 11.32am.*

*Mr Michael McGimpsey left the meeting at 11.36am*

*Mr Michael McGimpsey rejoined the meeting at 11.39am*

Ms Rosie McCorley declared an interest as an Irish Language Activist.

Mr Cathal Ó hOisín declared an interest as an Irish Language Activist.

*Mr Michael McGimpsey left the meeting at 12.09pm*

*Mr David Hilditch left the meeting at 12.12pm.*

*Officials left the meeting at 12.19pm.*

*Mr Cathal Ó hOisín left the meeting at 12.19pm.*

*Mr Basil McCrea left the meeting at 12.19pm.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to invite the Department to brief it alongside Foras na Gaeilge on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2013. The Committee agreed to request details from the Department on the EQIA on the previous funding proposals and why one has not been completed on the revised proposals; the transparency of the competitive process of the six core funded organisations; and the figures of cost components for the new funding model.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to forward the briefing papers from Altram, Ultach Trust and An tÁisaonad to the Department and Foras na Gaeilge.

## **6. RAISE Briefing on Examining Social Inclusion in the Arts in Northern Ireland**

*The following official joined the meeting at 12.19pm:*

Assembly Researcher, Dr Dan Hull.

The official briefed the Committee.

*Mr Dominic Bradley left the meeting at 12.20pm*

*Mr Basil McCrea rejoined the meeting at 12.23pm*

A question and answer session followed.

*Mr David Hilditch rejoined the meeting at 12.31pm*

*Mr Cathal Ó hOisín rejoined the meeting at 12.33pm*

*Mr Michael McGimpsey rejoined the meeting at 12.42pm*

*Ms Rosaleen McCorley left the meeting at 12.42pm*

*Dr Dan Hull left the meeting at 12.43pm.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to consider the paper at its next meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013 and discuss possible work streams.

## **7. Correspondence**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to invite representatives of the Lough Neagh Eel Fishermen to brief the Committee regarding the granting of eel fishing permits.

The Committee noted the correspondence from OFCOM on its Annual Plan for 2014/15.

The Committee noted the Department's correspondence outlining its actual outturn to August end and Forecast Outturn from September 2013 to March 2014.

## **8. Chairperson's Business**

The Committee noted the invitation tracker.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to write to the Department seeking its views on how local creative industries can access SEUPB funding for creative industries.

The Committee noted news coverage on running costs of Ebrington; the Committee's visit to Londonderry; the Committee's briefing on UK City of Culture; and funding issues for Exploris.

## **9. Forward Work Programme**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed the Forward Work Programme.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to conduct a piece of work into cycling in Northern Ireland.

*Mr Dominic Bradley rejoined the meeting at 12.50pm*

## **10. Any Other Business**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed that the All Party Group on Postal Issues should not attend its meeting with OFCOM and ETI Committee on OFCOM's Communications Marketing Report on 24<sup>th</sup> October.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed that Mr David Hilditch MLA should represent the Committee at a conference discussing Elite Sport Success.

*Mr Basil McCrea left the meeting at 12.53pm.*

**11. Consideration of the Committee Report on its Investigation into Gaps in Child Protection and Safeguarding across the Culture, Arts and Leisure Remit**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to meet again on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October; and to defer consideration of its report until that meeting.

**12. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure will take place on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013 in Room 21 Parliament Buildings

*The Committee adjourned at 12.57pm.*