

# COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

# THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013

#### BOARD ROOM, UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER, JORDANSTOWN CAMPUS

Present:	Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)
	Mr William Humphrey MLA
	Ms Rosaleen McCorley MLA
	Mr Oliver McMullan MLA
	Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA

- Apologies: Mr William Irwin MLA (Deputy Chairperson) Mr Dominic Bradley MLA Mr David Hilditch MLA Mr Basil McCrea MLA Mr Michael McGimpsey MLA Mrs Karen McKevitt MLA
- In attendance: Mr Peter Hall (Clerk) Ms Ciara McKay (Assistant Clerk) Mr Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor) Mr Malcolm Collins (Clerical Officer) Ms Megan Ward (Bursary Student)

The meeting opened in public session at 10.34am.

# 1. Draft Terms of Reference for Committee Inquiry into Social Inclusion in the Arts

*Agreed*: Members agreed to defer consideration of draft Terms of Reference on the Committee Inquiry into Social Inclusion in the Arts until next week.

## 2. Apologies

The apologies are noted above.

## 3. Draft Minutes

Agreed: Minutes were agreed for the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

#### 4. Matters Arising

The Committee noted the correspondence tracker.

- Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Minister to request details on the International Sports Events Programme.
- *Agreed*: The Committee agreed to keep a watching brief on progress of Foras na Gaeilge's appointment of a service provider for an Irish Language online newspaper.
- *Agreed*: The Committee agreed to consider the following agenda items at this stage of the meeting: Correspondence; Chairperson's Business; and Forward Work Programme.

#### 5. Correspondence

*Agreed*: The Committee agreed to consider the Committee Review Group's Report on the Committee System within the Northern Ireland Assembly at its strategic planning day in January.

The Committee noted correspondence from the Department on its Actual Outturn to September end and Forecast Outturn from October 2013 to March 2014.

#### 6. Chairpersons Business

The Committee noted the invite tracker.

The Committee noted all invites received.

The Committee noted press articles about the settlement of a legal case regarding the development of Casement Park.

- Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Minister for an update on the redevelopment of Casement Park and Windsor Park.
- *Agreed*: The Committee agreed to limit the number of posted Christmas Cards to its key stakeholders.

## 7. Forward Work Programme

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Forward Work Programme.

#### 8. Briefing from Northern Ireland Commonwealth Games Council

The following officials joined the meeting at 10.51am:

Chairman, Mr Robert McVeigh; Board Member and General Team Manager, Mr Stewart Tosh; Secretary and General Team Manager, Ms Terry Crothers; and Executive Officer, Mr Conal Heatley.

The officials briefed the committee

A question and answer session followed.

Officials left the meeting at 11.55am.

- *Agreed*: The Committee agreed to write to: DETI and Tourism Ireland in relation to tourism opportunities for Northern Ireland from the 2014 Commonwealth Games; Sport NI regarding funding for the continuation of a graduate post within the Northern Ireland Commonwealth Games Council; the Ulster Branch of Irish Rugby regarding participation in future Commonwealth Games.
- *Agreed*: The Committee agreed to invite Sport NI to brief it in the New Year regarding the Commonwealth Games and other sporting matters.

#### 9. Briefing from the University of Ulster on its Ulster Sports Academy

*The following officials joined the meeting at 11.57am:* 

Professor Marie Murphy; Mr Shane McCullough; and Mrs Sinead Connolly.

The officials briefed the Committee.

Mr William Humphrey left the meeting at 12.03pm.

Mr William Humphrey returned to the meeting at 12.05pm.

Mr Cathal Ó hOisín left the meeting at 12.05pm.

*Mr* Cathal Ó hOisín rejoined the meeting at 12.07pm.

A question and answer session followed.

Ms Rosaleen McCorley left the meeting at 12.34pm.

*Agreed*: Officials agreed to brief the Committee in the New Year on its work on sport and gender.

Officials left the meeting at 12.44pm.

# 10. Briefing from Sports Institute Northern Ireland

*The following officials joined the meeting at 12.44pm:* 

Director of Performance Sport, Dr Shaun Ogle; and Athletic Services Manager, Mr Peter McCabe.

The officials briefed the Committee.

Mr William Humphrey left the meeting at 12.47pm.

Mr William Humphrey rejoined the meeting at 12.49pm.

A question and answer session followed.

Officials left the meeting at 13.03pm.

#### 11. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

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

The next meeting of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2013 in Room 21 Parliament Buildings

The meeting was adjourned at 13:03pm.

Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure 21<sup>st</sup> November 2013