

COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY 2014

CRESCENT ARTS CENTRE, UNIVERSITY ROAD, BELFAST

Present:	Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)
	Mr William Irwin MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
	Mr Dominic Bradley MLA
	Mr David Hilditch MLA
	Mr Michael McGimpsey MLA
	Mr Oliver McMullan MLA
	Mr Basil McCrea MLA

Apologies: Mr William Humphrey MLA Ms Rosaleen McCorley MLA Mrs Karen McKevitt MLA Mr Cathal Ó hOisín 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 Committee opened in public session at 10.15am.

1. Apologies

The apologies are noted above.

2. Draft Minutes

Agreed: Minutes were agreed for the meeting held on the 16th January 2014.

3. Matters Arising

The Committee noted the correspondence tracker.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to defer its consideration of the draft Stage 2 report on Sport NI until additional information was received.

Mr Basil McCrea joined the meeting at 10.19am.

4. Oral Briefing from Independent Working Group on its Report Examining Boxing in Ulster

The following officials joined the meeting at 10.20am:

Dr Duncan Morrow, Chair of the Independent Working Group; Mr Trevor Ringland, Solicitor at Law, Former Rugby International; and Mr Ryan Feeney, Head of Public Affairs and Strategy at the Ulster GAA Council.

The officials briefed the committee

A question and answer session followed.

Mr Dominic Bradley joined the meeting at 10.50am.

Agreed: Officials agreed to correspond with the Committee around issues not contained in the report.

Mr William Irwin left the meeting at 11.26am.

Mr William Irwin returned to the meeting at 11.35am.

Officials left the meeting at 11.41am.

Mr Oliver McMullan left the meeting at 11.41am.

Mr Michael McGimpsey left the meeting at 11.41am.

5. Correspondence

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister enclosing copies of her Statements on the NSMC meetings in Language Body and Inland Waterways.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to invite Foras na Gaeilge and representatives from the core funded Irish Language Groups in Northern Ireland to formally brief the Committee during the same meeting.

The Committee noted correspondence from the Committee for OFMDFM regarding the Barosso Taskforce Desk Officer's Report for July to September 2013.

6. Chairs Business

The Committee noted the invite tracker.

The Committee noted all invites received.

7. Forward Work Programme

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Forward Work Programme.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to invite Ulster Orchestra to brief it during the early evidence sessions as part of the Committee's Inquiry into Inclusion in the Arts of Working Class Communities.

8. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

9. Date, Time, and Place of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure will take place on Thursday 30th January 2014 at 10.00am in Room 21 Parliament Buildings.

Mr Michael McGimpsey returned to the meeting at 11.49am

The meeting was adjourned at 11.50am.

Miss Michelle McIlveen MLA Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure 30th January 2014

Signed: ______ Chairperson

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