



COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Thursday 16th October 2014

Room 30 Parliament Buildings

Present: Mr Nelson McCausland MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Gordon Dunne MLA (Deputy Chairperson)
Ms Rosaleen McCorley MLA
Mr William Humphrey MLA
Mr Basil McCrea MLA
Mr Dominic Bradley MLA
Mr Oliver McMullan MLA
Mr Cathal Ó hOisín MLA
Mr David Hilditch MLA
Mrs Karen McKeivitt MLA
Mr Leslie Cree MLA

In attendance: Mr Peter Hall (Clerk)
Mr James Gilson (Assistant Clerk)
Mr Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor)
Mr Malcolm Collins (Clerical Officer)
Mr James Hurley Bursary Student

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

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Draft Minutes

Agreed: Minutes were agreed for Committee meeting held on 9th October 2014.

3. Inquiry into Inclusion in the Arts of Working Class Communities – Briefing from Talent Tribe

The following witnesses joined the meeting at 10:13 am

Ms Fedelma Harkin	Director, Talent Tribe
Mr Paul Simpson	Member of the Advisory Panel, Talent Tribe
Ms Jean Mallon	Participant, Talent Tribe

The witnesses briefed the committee.

A question and answer session followed.

Mr Cathal Ó hOisín declared an interest due to association with the Irish Language Broadcast Fund.

Mr William Humphrey joined the meeting at 10:20 am

Mrs Karen McKeivitt joined the meeting at 10:25 am

Mr Gordon Dunne left the meeting at 10:41 am

Mrs Rosaleen McCorley joined the meeting at 10:44 am

Mr David Hilditch left the meeting at 10:55 am

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Minister asking for details of the Arts and Culture Strategy.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the DEL Minister re recent fees announcement.

Agreed: the Committee agreed to circulate the Talent Tribe film ‘Mommies and Zombies’ to Members.

4. Briefing from Dale Farm Milk Cup

The following witnesses joined the meeting at 11:18.

Mr Victor Leonard	Chairman of Organising Committee, Dale Farm Milk Cup
Mr Jim Sandford	Public Relations Officer Dale Farm Milk Cup

The witnesses briefed the committee.

A question and answer session followed.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to meet with DCAL, Sport NI re issues raised in the briefing.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Causeway Coast and Glen Council supporting legacy projects.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the department asking for details of the Ulster Scots advisory forum and their terms of reference.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to send the prepared letter to IFA re the sub regional stadia.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to seek clarification from the Arts Council ref the legality of potential withholding of last 5% of 2014-15 grants, should budget reductions necessitate this. Also seeking to clarify whether an impact analysis has been carried out to find out what impact potential budget reductions might have on organisations.

Mr David Hilditch re-joined the meeting at 11:20 am

Mr Gordon Dunne re-joined the meeting at 11.25 am

Mr William Humphrey left the meeting at 11:12 am

Mr William Humphrey re-joined the meeting at 11:14 am

Ms Rosaleen McCorley left the meeting at 11:35 am

Ms Rosaleen McCorley re-joined the meeting at 11:45 am

Mr William Humphrey left the meeting at 12:22 pm

Mr Dominic Bradley left the meeting at 12:23 pm

Mr Oliver McMullan left the meeting at 12:30 pm

5. Inquiry into Inclusion in the Arts of Working Class Communities – RaISE Briefing on Non-governmental funding for the Arts

The following witness joined the meeting at 12:30 pm.

Dr Dan Hull Assembly Researcher

The witness briefed the committee.

A question and answer session followed.

Mr Cathal Ó hoisin left the meeting at 12:31 pm

Mr Cathal Ó hoisin re-joined the meeting at 12:36 pm

6. DCAL October Monitoring Submission to DFP

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department requesting information on City of Culture and legacy project costs.

7. Matters Arising

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department seeking clarification re June Monitoring information.

Noted: The Committee noted correspondence from DCAL, Sport NI, IRFU and Ulster Rugby re the possibility of hosting the women's rugby world cup.

Agreed; The Committee agreed to write to Arts Council NI regarding future funding.

8. Correspondence

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Department for details on savings delivered by the Department in 2013-14.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to arrange a briefing from Royal Historic Palaces

9. Chairperson Business

The Committee noted the invite tracker and all invites received

10. Forward Work Programme

Agreed: The Committee agreed the Forward Work Programme and to reschedule Disability Sport NI

11. Any Other Business

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to the Minister asking that she recognise the achievements of Colin Turkington.

The Committee moved to **Closed Session** at 1.35pm

12. Date, Time, and Place of next Meeting

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

Mr. Nelson McCausland

**Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure
21st October 2014**