

COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Thursday 10th March 2016

Room 30, Parliament Buildings

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

In attendance: Mr. Peter Hall (Clerk)
Ms. Gillian Kirk-Lyness (Assistant Clerk)
Mr. Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor)
Miss Sabra Wray (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mr. Dominic Bradley MLA

The Committee commenced in public session at 10.10am

1. Apologies

Apologies noted above.

2. Draft Minutes of meeting on 8th March 2016.

Agreed: The minutes of the meeting on 8th March 2016 were agreed.

3. Inquiry into Issues around Emergency Exiting Plans, Including their Impact on Stadium Capacity, for the Redeveloped Casement Park Stadium.

Members' previous declarations of interest with respect to the inquiry have been carried forward, as per the Committee's agreement.

The following witness joined the meeting at 10.11am

Peter May Former Permanent Secretary, DCAL

Gordon Dunne left the meeting at 10.14am
Gordon Dunne re-joined the meeting at 10.18am
Rosie McCorley joined the meeting at 10.22am

William Humphrey left the meeting at 10.41am
William Humphrey re-joined the meeting at 10.43am

Basil McCrea joined the meeting at 10.46am

A question and answer session followed.

David Hilditch left the meeting the meeting at 11.00am
David Hilditch re-joined the meeting at 11.11am

Karen McKeivitt joined the meeting at 11.15am

Oliver McMullan left the meeting at 11.37am
Oliver McMullan re-joined the meeting at 11.52am

5. Matters Arising

Noted: The Committee noted the DCAL correspondence regarding the MAC.

Gordon Dunne left the meeting at 12.00pm
William Humphrey left the meeting at 12.00pm
Gordon Dunne re-joined the meeting at 12.04pm
William Humphrey re-joined the meeting at 12.04pm

Noted: The Committee noted the DCAL correspondence regarding the new shows at Armagh Planetarium.

William Humphrey left the meeting at 12.11pm
William Humphrey re-joined the meeting at 12.12pm

Noted: The Committee noted the correspondence from Libraries NI regarding memoranda of understanding.

Noted: The Committee noted the response from ACNI regarding lottery funded publishers.

Statutory Rule: The Court Rule Privileged Access (NI) 2016.

Leslie Cree proposed write to the Minister of Justice and Secretary of State to express concerns regarding to the Statutory Rule and to seek details of engagement with by the Department with the NIO and Department of Justice on the SR.

It was seconded by Gordon Dunne

Ayes – 6

N McCausland

G Dunne

L Cree

D Hilditch

W Humphrey

B McCrea

Noes – 4

K McKeivitt

C ÓhOisín

R McCorley

O McMullan

Abstentions – 0

Did not vote – 0

The proposal was passed.

6. Correspondence

Noted: The Committee noted the latest edition of EU Matters.

Gordon Dunne left the meeting at 12.20pm

Gordon Dunne re-joined the meeting at 12.22pm

David Hilditch left the meeting at 12.25pm

Rosie McCorley left the meeting at 12.29pm

Noted: The Committee noted the correspondence from the DCAL Minister regarding her intention to make oral statements on Tuesday regarding the initiation of the sign language legislation and Ulster-Scots and Irish Language academies.

7. Chairpersons Business

There were no items of Chairpersons Business.

8. Forward Work Programme

Noted: The Committee noted the Forward Work Programme.

9. Any Other Business

There were no items raised.

The Committee went into closed session at 12.20pm.

4. Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure Legacy Report 2011 – 2016

Agreed: The Committee noted the draft Legacy Report 2011-2016 and agreed that it should be amended to reflect the Committee's advocacy of rural-proofing.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12.35pm

Mr. Nelson McCausland
Chairperson, Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure

Tuesday 15th March 2016