COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND LEISURE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Monday 14th September 2015

Room 21, Parliament Buildings

Present: Mr. Nelson McCausland MLA (Chairperson)

Mr. Gordon Dunne MLA (Deputy Chairperson)

Mr. Leslie Cree MLA
Mr. Cathal Ó hOisín MLA
Mr. Basil McCrea MLA
Mr. David Hilditch MLA
Mr. William Humphrey MLA
Mrs. Rosaleen McCorley MLA
Mr. Dominic Bradley MLA

Mr. Oliver McMullan MLA Mrs. Karen McKevitt MLA

In attendance: Mr. Peter Hall (Clerk)

Miss Maria Magennis (Assistant Clerk) Mr Jonathan Lamont (Clerical Supervisor)

The Committee opened in public session at 3.34pm

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Draft Minutes of Summer Meetings

Mr. David Hilditch joined the meeting at 3.36pm.

Mr. Basil McCrea joined the meeting at 3.36pm.

Mr. Gordon Dunne joined the meeting at 3.37pm.

The minutes of the meetings on 2nd July 2015, 9th July 2015 and 13th August 2015 were agreed.

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

The meeting suspended at 3.41pm.

The meeting reconvened at 3.58pm.

Mrs. Karen McKevitt joined the meeting at 3.58pm.

Mr. Gordon Dunne re-joined the meeting at 3.59pm.

Mr. Oliver McMullan joined the meeting at 4.07pm.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to write to Mr David Blackall for further clarification regarding his letter sent to the Department.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to invite the SGSA to give evidence to the Committee in connection with the Inquiry.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to seek clarification from DCAL re meetings with the PAR team.

Agreed: The Committee agreed to commission a research paper relating to a range of issues around stadia licencing arrangements in other jurisdictions.

4. Chairperson's Business

Noted: The Committee noted the invite from the Committee for the Environment regarding the launch of NI Environment Week.

Mr. Oliver McMullan left the meeting at 4.55pm.

5. Any Other Business

Agreed: The Committee agreed that the Clerk will bring forward wording for a Committee motion around support for Northern Ireland hosting the 2021 Commonwealth Youth Games.

6. Date, Time and Place of next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee for Culture, Arts and Leisure will take place on Thursday 17th September 2015 at 10.00am.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5.02pm.

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

Thursday 17th September 2015