



**Northern Ireland  
Assembly**

**COMMITTEE FOR THE ECONOMY**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**15 JUNE 2020**

**ROOM 30, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

**10:00am**

Present: Dr Caoímhe Archibald (Chairperson)  
Ms Sinéad McLaughlin (Deputy Chairperson)  
Mr Gordon Dunne MBE  
Mr Gary Middleton  
Mr John O'Dowd  
Mr John Stewart  
Ms Claire Sugden

In Attendance: Mr Peter Hall (Assembly Clerk)  
Ms Sinead Kelly (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Ms Angela McParland (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Michael Greer (Clerical Supervisor)  
Mr Thomas Manning (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: Mr Stewart Dickson  
Mr Christopher Stalford

*The meeting began at 10:04am in open session.*

**1. Apologies**

As noted above.

## **2. Oral Briefing from the Department for the Economy (DfE) – June Monitoring Round**

*The officials joined the meeting at 10.05am*

Members received a briefing from:

<b>Mr Colin Lewis</b>	Head of Management Services and Regulation Group, DfE; and
<b>Ms Sharon Hetherington</b>	Finance Director, DfE.

Key issues discussed included: Departmental reallocation of funding internally and inescapable and prioritised funding bids to the Monitoring Round process.

*Agreed:* Members agreed to write to the Department on the range of concerns Members have on relocation of funds.

*Agreed:* Members agreed to forward the Departmental papers to the Committee for Finance along with the Committee's views regarding expectations from the Monitoring Round process.

*The officials left the meeting at 10.51am*

## **3. Any Other Business**

There were no items of business.

## **4. Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020 in Room 30, Parliament Buildings at 10am.

*The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10.54am*

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**Dr Caoimhe Archibald**  
**Chairperson**  
**Committee for the Economy**  
**24<sup>th</sup> June 2020**