



**Northern Ireland  
Assembly**

**COMMITTEE FOR THE ECONOMY**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**1 JULY 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 Christopher Stalford  
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 John Stewart

*The meeting began at 10:05am in open session.*

**1. Apologies**

As noted above.

## **2. Minutes**

*Agreed:* the Committee agreed the Minutes from 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

## **3. Chairpersons Business**

There were no items of business.

## **4. Oral Briefing by the Department for the Economy: EU Exit Preparation and Transition Group**

*The officials joined the meeting at 10.06am*

Members received a briefing from:

**Mr Paul Grocott;** EU Exit Preparation and Transition Group,  
Department for the Economy;

**Ms Giulia Ní Dhulchaointigh;** EU Exit Preparation and Transition Group,  
Department for the Economy;

**Mr Victor Dukelow; and** EU Exit Preparation and Transition Group,  
Department for the Economy;

**Dr Mary McIvor** EU Exit Preparation and Transition Group,  
Department for the Economy;

Key issues discussed included: an overview of the current work by the Department for preparations for the UK leaving the EU.

*Agreed:* the officials agreed to: forward a breakdown of £25m for intervention initiatives, update the Committee regarding forthcoming secondary legislation, and to confirm if a risk register is published online by the Department and if not, to provide the Committee with a copy.

*Christopher Stalford left the meeting at 10.48am*

*Christopher Stalford returned to the meeting at 11.01am*

*Gordon Dunne left the meeting at 11.17am*

*The officials left the meeting at 11.23am*

## **5. Oral Briefing by Money and Pensions Service (MaPS): Overview**

*The representative joined the meeting at 11.23pm*

Members received a briefing from:

**Ms Janine Maher** Northern Ireland Manager, Money and Pensions Service.

Key issues discussed included: an overview of the work of MaPS.

*Gordon Dunne returned to the meeting at 11.41am*

*Christopher Stalford left the meeting at 11.45am*

*The witness left the meeting at 12.06pm*

## **6. Matters Arising**

*Members agreed to defer Agenda Item 6, due to time constraints.*

## **7. Written Briefing by Higher Education Bodies: Student Number Controls on English Domiciled Students**

*Members agreed to defer Agenda Item 7, due to time constraints.*

## **8. Correspondence**

*Members agreed to defer Agenda Item 8, due to time constraints.*

## **9. Any Other Business**

There were no items of business.

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

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July in Room 30, Parliament Buildings at 10am.

*The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 12.08pm*

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**Dr Caoímhe Archibald**  
**Chairperson**  
**Committee for the Economy**  
**8<sup>th</sup> July 2020**