



**Northern Ireland  
Assembly**

**COMMITTEE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY, 21 JANUARY 2020**

**ROOM 29, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS /**

**WEDNESDAY, 22 JANUARY 2020**

**THE SENATE CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

**Present:** Ms Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)  
Mr David Hilditch MLA (Deputy-Chairperson)  
Mr Roy Beggs MLA  
Mr Cathal Boylan MLA  
Mr Keith Buchanan MLA  
Mr Raymond McCartney MLA  
Mr Andrew Muir MLA

**Apologies:** Mrs Dolores Kelly MLA  
Ms Liz Kimmins MLA

**In Attendance:** Mrs Cathie White (Assembly Clerk)  
Mrs Alison Ross (Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Vincent Gribbin (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Johnny Lawless (Clerical Supervisor)

**In attendance from the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) to answer questions on Statutory Rules:**

Mr Brian Gorman, Planning Policy Division, Operational Governance, DfI  
Mr Manus Bradley, Transport Legislation Branch, DfI  
Mr Martin Smyth, Lands Branch (Eastern), DfI  
Mr Basil Hassard, Strategic Road Improvement Team (Eastern), DfI  
Mr Colin Pentland, Roads Network Services (Eastern), DfI  
Ms Deirdre Gallagher, Transport Legislation Branch, DfI  
Mr Cathal Brown, Roads Network Planning (Northern), DfI  
Mr Rory Duddy, Roads Business Support (Western) DfI  
Mr Kieran McQuaid, Lands Branch (Southern), DfI  
Mr David Millar, Business Support (Roads), DfI  
Mr Donald Starritt, Brexit Preparation Branch, DfI  
Mr Alex Boyle, Vehicle Policy Branch, DfI

Mrs Beverley Cowan, Driving Policy Branch, DfI  
Mr Ciaran Crosbie, Bus Policy Branch, DfI  
Ms Irene Kennedy, Planning Policy Division, Legislation Branch, DfI  
Mr Victor Clegg, Roads Network Services (Eastern), DfI  
Mr Colin Sykes, Network Maintenance Manager, DfI  
Ms Julie-Ann Dutton, Water & Drainage Environment Policy Branch, DfI  
Dr Andrew Grieve, Active Travel Branch, DfI

*The meeting commenced in closed session at 10:03 am.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to have the briefing by the Examiner of Statutory Rules, at Agenda Item 15, in closed session at the start of the meeting.

## **15. Subordinate Legislation: Delegation of Technical Scrutiny to the Examiner of Statutory Rules**

*Miss Angela Kelly, The Northern Ireland Assembly Examiner for Statutory Rules, joined the meeting at 10:03 am.*

The Committee received a briefing from Miss Kelly.

*Miss Angela Kelly left the meeting at 10:18 am.*

*The meeting commenced in open session at 10:19 am.*

### **1. Apologies**

As above.

### **2. Chairpersons Business**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed that Press Releases, News Releases and Statistical Bulletins should be emailed to Members when received and not included in Committee meeting packs.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to publish all Assembly Research and Information Service papers on the Committee webpage following consideration.

### **3. Correspondence**

- Correspondence from Translink congratulating the Chairperson on her appointment and requesting a meeting with the Chairperson.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the correspondence and schedule a meeting.

- Correspondence from the Attorney General for Northern Ireland congratulating the Chairperson on her appointment.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the correspondence.

- Correspondence from the Attorney General for Northern Ireland congratulating the Deputy Chairperson on his appointment.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the correspondence.

- Correspondence from Translink inviting the Committee to an event on Wednesday 29 January 2020 at Milewater Service Centre, Belfast announcing NI's first new sustainable fuel cell buses.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the correspondence.

#### **4. Arrangements for Committee Meetings**

The Committee considered arrangements for its Committee meetings.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed that meetings should, as a rule, be held in public session, unless the Committee agrees that there is an overriding reason for proceedings to be closed session.

#### **5. Staff Contact Details**

The Chairperson introduced the Committee Clerk and the Committee staff.

#### **6. Outcomes of an Effective Committee**

The Committee noted a paper on the effective Committees.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note a paper on the outcomes of an effective Committee and deal with it at the strategic planning day.

#### **7. Committee approach to dealing with correspondence and requests for meetings that are not linked to strategic priorities or statutory duties**

The Committee considered its approach to dealing with correspondence and requests for meetings that are not linked to strategic priorities or statutory duties

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to deal with correspondence and requests for meetings on a case by case basis.

#### **8. Committee approach to meeting preparation and witness questioning**

The Committee noted a paper on meeting preparation and witness questioning.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note a paper on its approach to preparation and questioning.

## **9. Protocol on conduct and courtesy in Committee Meetings**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note its protocol on conduct and courtesy at Committee meetings.

## **10. Committee approach to the use of Social Media**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the Committee twitter account and that Committee staff would update the account.

## **11. Committee Membership**

Members noted the membership of the Committee for Infrastructure.

## **12. Declaration of Members' Interests**

The Chairperson reminded members that the requirement to register their interests extended under Standing Order 69 (5) to the proceedings of the Committees.

*Mr Roy Beggs MLA declared his interest as a member of the Carrickfergus Road Safety Committee*

*Mr David Hilditch MLA (Deputy-Chairperson) declared his interest as a member of the Carrickfergus Road Safety Committee*

*Mr Andrew Muir MLA declared his interest as a former employee of Translink.*

## **13. Committee Procedures**

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note:

- Guide to the Powers and Operation of Statutory Committees for Chairpersons and Members.
- Guide to the Role of the Committee Chairperson.
- Guide for Members on the Role and Functions of the Committee Office.

## **14. Guidance on Timescales for Interaction between Assembly Committees and Departments**

The Committee considered the guidance paper on timescales for interaction between committees and departments.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the Guidance.

## **15. Subordinate Legislation: Delegation of Technical Scrutiny to the Examiner of Statutory Rules**

The Committee considered the Delegation of Technical Scrutiny to the Examiner of Statutory Rules.

*Agreed:* That the Committee for Infrastructure, under Standing Order 43, resolves to delegate to the Examiner of Statutory Rules any of its functions in relation to the technical scrutiny of the instrument.

The Committee further resolves that in carrying out this function the Examiner shall be authorised to report her technical findings on each statutory rule to the Assembly, and to the relevant Department, as well as to the Committee itself and to publish her report.

## **16. SR 2017-95 The Hannahstown Hill, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-95 The Hannahstown Hill, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of superseded road at Hannahstown Hill, Belfast. On the coming into operation of the rule, the area of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over it shall be extinguished.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-95 The Hannahstown Hill, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

The Chairperson invited officials to the table.

*Mr Clegg joined the meeting at 10.39 am.*

*Ms Gallagher, joined the meeting at 10.39 am.*

*Mr Smyth joined the meeting at 10.39 am.*

## **17. SR 2017-96 The Bann Drive Londonderry (Footpaths) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-96 The Bann Drive Londonderry (Footpaths) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 190 square metres of road consisting of 2 areas of footpath at Bann Drive, Londonderry. On the coming into operation of the abandonment the areas of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over them shall be extinguished.

*Mr Duddy joined the meeting at 10.41 am.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to defer its consideration of the statutory rule pending receipt of a more detailed map from the Department.

**18. SR 2017-97 The Orchard Road Industrial Estate, Strabane (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-97 The Orchard Road Industrial Estate, Strabane (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of the northern turning head of the road in the Orchard Road Industrial Estate, Strabane. The area of road will be abandoned on the completion of works to provide an alternative turning head. On the completion of those works the area of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over it shall be extinguished.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-97 The Orchard Road Industrial Estate, Strabane (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**19. SR 2017-98 The A27 Poyntzpass Road, Scarva (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-98 The A27 Poyntzpass Road, Scarva (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 1824 square metres of superseded road on the A27 Poyntzpass Road, Scarva at what is known locally as Jacksons Corner.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-98 The A27 Poyntzpass Road, Scarva (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**20. SR 2017-124 The Ormeau Road, Belfast (Footway) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-124 The Ormeau Road, Belfast (Footway) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Rule is to abandon an area of footway adjacent to the Errigal Inn, Ormeau Road, Belfast.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-124 The Ormeau Road, Belfast (Footway) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**21. SR 2017-161 The Glenwood Green, Dunmurry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-161 The Glenwood Green, Dunmurry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road at the south-west side of Glenwood Green, Dunmurry. On the coming into operation of the rule, the area of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over it shall be extinguished. The Department is of the opinion that the road is no longer necessary for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-161 The Glenwood Green, Dunmurry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**22. SR 2017-170 The B3 Tandragee Road, Markethill (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-170 The B3 Tandragee Road, Markethill (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road comprising road embankment adjacent to Markethill Free Presbyterian Church on the B3 Tandragee Road, Markethill.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-170 The B3 Tandragee Road, Markethill (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**23. SR 2017-192 The Manor, Blacks Road, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-192 The Manor, Blacks Road, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road comprising carriageway and footway (part of a former roundabout) at the Manor, Blacks Road, Belfast.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-192 The Manor, Blacks Road, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**24. SR 2017-193 The Granemore Road, Tassagh, Keady (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-193 The Granemore Road, Tassagh, Keady (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road comprising footway at Granemore Road, Tassagh, Keady adjacent to its junction with the entrance to St Mary's Primary School.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-193 The Granemore Road, Tassagh, Keady (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**25. SR 2017-195 The Meadow Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-195 The Meadow Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 350 square metres of road comprising carriageway and footway adjacent to Meadow Lane, Portadown.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-195 The Meadow Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**26. SR 2017-237 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-237 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 694.5 square metres of road comprising road embankment adjacent to Derrycarne Road, Portadown.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-237 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Duddy, left the meeting at 10.59 am.*

*Mr Smyth, left the meeting at 10.59 am.*

**27. SR 2017-239 The Former C158 Ballynacor Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Mr McQuaid, joined the meeting at 10.59 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-239 The Former C158 Ballynacor Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to abandon a length of superceded road (the former C158 Ballynacor Road, Portadown) in Ballynacor Townland in County Armagh.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-239 The Former C158 Ballynacor Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**28. SR 2018-13 The Woodtown Road, Ballymena, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

*Mr Brown, joined the meeting at 11.00 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2018-13 The Woodtown Road, Ballymena, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018 . The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 581 square metres of former road comprising 320 square metres of former carriageway and an area of 261 square metres of former road verge in front of No. 111 Woodtown Road, Ballymena.



*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-13 The Woodtown Road, Ballymena, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**29. SR 2018-14 The B78 Tandragee Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-14 The B78 Tandragee Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of superseded road to the front of No. 254 Tandragee Road, Portadown.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-14 The B78 Tandragee Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**30. SR 2018-20 The U7882 Old Road, Poyntzpass (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-20 The U7882 Old Road, Poyntzpass (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of superseded road at the U7882 Old Road, Poyntzpass at its junction with the A27 Church Road.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-20 The U7882 Old Road, Poyntzpass (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**31. SR 2018-22 The New Line, Carrickfergus (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-22 The New Line, Carrickfergus (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon a length of road at New Line, Upper Woodburn, Carrickfergus.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-22 The New Line, Carrickfergus (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**32. SR 2018-27 The Annesborough Industrial Estate, Annesborough Road, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-27 The Annesborough Industrial Estate, Annesborough Road, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road in Annesborough Industrial Estate, Lurgan, consisting of carriageway and footpath in front of units 20 and 21 Annesborough Industrial Estate, Annesborough Road, Lurgan.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-27 The Annesborough Industrial Estate, Annesborough Road, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**33. SR 2018-72 The Crescent Link, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered. SR 2018-72 The Crescent Link, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road comprising 263 square metres of grass verge adjacent to the northern footway of Crescent Link, Londonderry extending from a point 9 metres east of Lisnagelvin Road for a distance of 120 metres in a north-easterly direction.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-72 The Crescent Link, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**34. SR 2018-73 The Gardiners Cross Road, Maguiresbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

*Mr McQuaid, left the meeting at 11.07 am.*

*Mr Duddy, rejoined the meeting at 11.07 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2018-73 The Gardiners Cross Road, Maguiresbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road (comprising grass verge) at Gardiners Cross Road, Maguiresbridge.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-73 The Gardiners Cross Road, Maguiresbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**35. SR 2018-74 The Linsfort Drive, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-74 The Linsfort Drive, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road (comprising former footway) at Linsfort Drive, Londonderry.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-74 The Linsfort Drive, Londonderry (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**36. SR 2018-75 The U1371 (unnamed road) off Long Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

*Mr Duddy left the meeting at 11.11 am.*

*Mr McQuaid rejoined the meeting at 11.11 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2018-75 The U1371 (unnamed road) off Long Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 364 square metres of road beginning at the junction of the U1371(unnamed road) with Long Lane, Portadown and extending for a distance of 50.83 metres in a north-westerly direction, after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for the provision of alternative facilities for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-75 The U1371 (unnamed road) off Long Lane, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

### **37. SR 2018-76 The Limavady Road, Garvagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-76 The Limavady Road, Garvagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 370 square metres of road on the north side of Limavady Road, Garvagh extending from a point 186 metres west of its junction with Main Street for a distance of 46 metres in a westerly direction, after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for the provision of alternative facilities for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-76 The Limavady Road, Garvagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

### **38. SR 2018-117 The Hillsborough Road, Moneyreagh (Abandonment and Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered 2018-117 The Hillsborough Road, Moneyreagh (Abandonment and Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is abandon an area of 155 square metres of road at Hillsborough Road, Moneyreagh and to stop-up Hillsborough Road at the Moneyreagh Road/Hillsborough Road crossroads, Moneyreagh.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-117 The Hillsborough Road, Moneyreagh (Abandonment and Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

### **39. SR 2018-118 The Station Road, Moira, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-118 The Station Road, Moira, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road (comprising former carriageway) fronting No. 3 Station Road, Moira.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-118 The Station Road, Moira, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**40. SR 2018-119 The M1 Motorway Westbound Off-slip at Tamnamore Roundabout, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

*Mr McQuaid left the meeting at 11.17 am.*

*Mr Duddy rejoined the meeting at 11.17 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2018-119 The M1 Motorway Westbound Off-slip at Tamnamore Roundabout, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road embankment south of the M1 Motorway Westbound Off-slip at Junction 14 in the townland of Tamnamore, Dungannon.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-119 The M1 Motorway Westbound Off-slip at Tamnamore Roundabout, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**41. SR 2018-120 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-120 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road embankment adjacent to No. 91 Derrycarne Road, Portadown.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-120 The C161 Derrycarne Road, Portadown, (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**42. SR 2018-159 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-159 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 2 areas of road totalling 249 square metres at Ferrard Meadow, Antrim consisting of 31 square metres of footway and grass verge on the north-east side and 218 square metres of carriageway, footway and grass verge on the south-east side.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-159 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Duddy left the meeting at 11.21am.*

**43. SR 2018-160 The Annaghilla Road, Augher, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-160 The Annaghilla Road, Augher, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road verge adjacent to No. 38 Annaghilla Road, Augher, Dungannon.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-160 The Annaghilla Road, Augher, Dungannon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**44. SR 2019-94 The Footpaths (Centre Walk, Cherry Path and Lakeside Walk) Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-94 The Footpaths (Centre Walk, Cherry Path and Lakeside Walk) Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 198.6 metres of road comprising 3 lengths of footpath at the former Craigavon Watersports Centre adjacent to Southern Lake, Craigavon after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for the provision of alternative facilities for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-94 The Footpaths (Centre Walk, Cherry Path and Lakeside Walk) Craigavon (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**45. SR 2019-96 The Finvoy Street, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-96 The Finvoy Street, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 102 square metres of road adjacent to the side and rear of the Walkway Community Centre, Finvoy Street, Belfast.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-96 The Finvoy Street, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**46. SR 2019-97 The Kilkinamurry Road and Katesbridge Road, Banbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-97 The Kilkinamurry Road and Katesbridge Road, Banbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of superseded road at the junction Kilkinamurry Road and Katesbridge Road, Banbridge commencing at the junction of the old road with Kilkinamurry Road and extending for a distance of 233.5 metres in a southerly direction.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-97 The Kilkinamurry Road and Katesbridge Road, Banbridge (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**47. SR 2019-98 The Bramble Road, Newtownabbey (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-98 The Bramble Road, Newtownabbey (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 296 square metres of road comprising a turning head between No. 10 Berryfields Road and No. 3 Berry Drive, Newtownabbey commencing at the junction of Berryfields Road and Bramble Road and extending for a distance of 22 metres in an easterly direction.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-98 The Bramble Road, Newtownabbey (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**48. SR 2019-100 The Ballybeen Park, Dundonald (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-100 The Ballybeen Park, Dundonald (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 10.7 square metres of footway between No. 12 and No. 14 Ballybeen Park, Dundonald commencing at a point 110 metres south-east of its junction with Dungoyne Park for a distance of 5.1 metres in a south-easterly direction. This was the site of a former bus shelter.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-100 The Ballybeen Park, Dundonald (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**49. SR 2019-127 The U1364 Charlestown Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-127 The U1364 Charlestown Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of the former Charlestown Road, Portadown starting at a point 67 metres northeast of its junction with Seagoe Road and extending for 123 metres in a north-easterly direction.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-127 The U1364 Charlestown Road, Portadown (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

## **50. SR 2019-169 The Tyndale Gardens, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-169 The Tyndale Gardens, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 26.80 square metres of road comprising two areas of footpath at Tyndale Gardens, Belfast after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for the provision of alternative facilities for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-169 The Tyndale Gardens, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Clegg left the meeting at 11.28am.*

*Mr Brown left the meeting at 11.28am.*

*Ms Gallagher left the meeting at 11.28am.*

*The Committee agree to suspend at 11:28am.*

*The Committee resumed at 11:42am.*

**Present:** Ms Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)

Mr David Hilditch MLA (Deputy-Chairperson)

Mr Roy Beggs MLA

Mr Cathal Boylan MLA

Mr Keith Buchanan MLA

Mr Raymond McCartney MLA

Mr Andrew Muir MLA

**In Attendance:** Mrs Cathie White (Assembly Clerk)  
Mrs Alison Ross (Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Vincent Gribbin (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Johnny Lawless (Clerical Supervisor)

## **17. SR 2017-96 The Bann Drive Londonderry (Footpaths) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee resumed its consideration of SR 2017-96 The Bann Drive Londonderry (Footpaths) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017 and considered a more detailed map.

*Mr Clegg joined the meeting at 11.42am.*

*Mr Brown joined the meeting at 11.42am.*

*Ms Gallagher joined the meeting at 11.42am.*

*Mr Duddy joined the meeting at 11.42am.*

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed it was content with the more detailed map.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-96 The Bann Drive Londonderry (Footpaths) (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Duddy left the meeting at 11.43am.*

**51. SR 2019-170 The Monaghan Road, Armagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-170 The Monaghan Road, Armagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 2 areas of superseded road totalling 3320 square metres at the former Monaghan Road, Armagh.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-170 The Monaghan Road, Armagh (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**52. SR 2019-225 The Ballysillan Park, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-225 The Ballysillan Park, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of road consisting of former road and embankment at the junction of Crumlin Road and Ballysillan Park, Belfast.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-225 The Ballysillan Park, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**53. SR 2019-226 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-226 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 1013 square metres of grass verge at Ferrard Meadow, Antrim commencing at the south-eastern boundary of the Holiday Inn Express and extending for a distance of 225 metres in a south-easterly direction.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-226 The Ferrard Meadow, Antrim (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**54. SR 2019-228 The U7200 Ballygowan Road, Dromore (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-228 The U7200 Ballygowan Road, Dromore (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 316.667 square metres of the U7200 Ballygowan Road, Dromore commencing at a point 24 metres south-east of its junction with the C359 Ballygowan Road, Dromore for a distance of 50 metres in a south-easterly direction.



*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-228 The U7200 Ballygowan Road, Dromore (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Brown left the meeting at 11.46 am.*

#### **55. SR 2019-229 The Tarry Lane, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-229 The Tarry Lane, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 235.6 square metres of road at Tarry Lane, Lurgan commencing at its junction with North Circular Road and extending for a distance of 31.53 metres in a northerly direction after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for the provision of alternative facilities for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-229 The Tarry Lane, Lurgan (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **56. SR 2019-239 The Galway Drive, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-239 The Galway Drive, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to abandon an area of 174 square metres of road comprising grass verge at Galway Drive, Belfast adjacent to No. 6 Galway Drive extending from its junction with Galway Drive for a distance of 37 metres in a south-westerly direction towards Cumberland Drive.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-239 The Galway Drive, Belfast (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **57. SR 2017-87 The Roads (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Mr Millan joined the meeting at 11.49 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-87 The Roads (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of this Rule is to strengthen and enhance the EIA process by providing a high level of protection to the environment which includes the requirement to make the Environmental Statement of a higher quality and content through the introduction of a competent expert to both prepare and assess environmental reports. This measure along with others will contribute to the integration of all environmental considerations into the preparation of projects to reduce their impact on the environment.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-87 The Roads (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**58. SR 2017-31 The Trunk Roads T1, T3 and T7 (York Street Interchange) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-31 The Trunk Roads T1, T3 and T7 (York Street Interchange) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of this Rule is for a new grade separated junction at York Street to provide direct links between the Westlink and the M1 and M2. In addition to the construction of over and underpasses, landscaping will be carried out to improve the appearance of the road and lessen the visual impact of the proposed project.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to defer its consideration of the Rule pending receipt of enlarged maps.

*Mr Muir MLA left the meeting at 12.08pm.*

**59. SR 2017-194 The Dalton Street, Belfast (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-194 The Dalton Street, Belfast (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the rule is to stop-up Dalton Street, Belfast at its junction with Middlepath Street, Belfast.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-194 The Dalton Street, Belfast (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**60. SR 2017-226 The Trunk Road T3 (Western Transport Corridor) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-226 The Trunk Road T3 (Western Transport Corridor) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to defer its consideration of the Statutory Rule pending receipt of the ruling by the High Court in Northern Ireland Queen's Bench Division.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to write to the Department to request a copy of the Planning Appeals Commission Report and for information on the funding offered and made by the Republic of Ireland Government.

**61. SR 2018-30 The A1 Dual Carriageway (between Springwell Loanin and Castlewellan Road Bridge) Banbridge (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018.**

*Mr McQuaid, rejoined the meeting at 12.15 pm.*

*Mr Millar, rejoined the meeting at 12.15 pm.*

The Committee considered SR 2018-30 The A1 Dual Carriageway (between Springwell Loanin and Castlewellan Road Bridge) Banbridge (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The

purpose of the rule is to stop-up lengths of the central reservation of the Dual Carriageway of the A1 Newry Road and the A1 Banbridge Bypass, between Springwell Loanin and Castlewellan Road Bridge, Banbridge.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-30 The A1 Dual Carriageway (between Springwell Loanin and Castlewellan Road Bridge) Banbridge (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr McQuaid, left the meeting at 12.17 pm.*

#### **62. SR 2018-178 The Pond Park Road and Beanstown Road, Lisburn (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-178 The Pond Park Road and Beanstown Road, Lisburn (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the rule is to stop-up two lengths of Pond Park Road and a length of Beanstown Road, Lisburn at junction of the Pond Park Road / Beanstown Road as part of the new road layout.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered, SR 2018-178 The Pond Park Road and Beanstown Road, Lisburn (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2018 and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **63. SR 2019-6 The Road Traffic and Vehicles and Waterways (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-6 The Road Traffic and Vehicles and Waterways (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of these Regulations amend a number of Statutory Rules to clarify that statutory responsibility for the related functions has transferred to the Department for Infrastructure, from the Department of the Environment (DoE).

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-6 The Road Traffic and Vehicles and Waterways (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **64. SR 2019-19 The Motorways Traffic (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Mr Hassard joined the meeting at 12.20 pm.*

The Committee considered SR 2019-19 The Motorways Traffic (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to extend the lengths of the citybound hard shoulders of the M1 and M2 Motorways, including the citybound off-slip at Fortwilliam Roundabout, which can be used as bus lanes and amends the hours they are available for use by buses and coaches from 7.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. on Monday to Friday inclusive.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-19 The Motorways Traffic (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**65. SR 2019-167 The Millmount Road, Dundonald (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-167 The Millmount Road, Dundonald (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to stop-up Millmount Road, Dundonald to vehicular traffic at two lines north-west of its junction with Millmount Roundabout, after the completion of such works as the Department considers necessary for road traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-167 The Millmount Road, Dundonald (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Hassard, left the meeting at 12.24 pm.*

*Mr Clegg, left the meeting at 12.24 pm.*

**66. SR 2017-89 The Motor Cycles (Protective Headgear) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*12.25 pm Mr Alex Boyle, joined the meeting.*

*12.25 pm Mr Muir MLA, rejoined the meeting.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-89 The Motor Cycles (Protective Headgear) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Rule is to amend the Motor Cycles (Protective Headgear) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 to require riders of motor quadricycles to wear protective headgear when driving or riding on a public road.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to write to the Minister seeking information on the use of headgear for quadricycles and to encourage her Department to go further including working in association with other Departments.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-89 The Motor Cycles (Protective Headgear) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*12.33 pm Mr Alex Boyle, left the meeting.*

**67. SR 2017-117 The Driving and Motorcycle Instructors (Recognition of European Professional Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-117 The Driving and Motorcycle Instructors (Recognition of European Professional Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose these Regulations are to transpose the EU Directive on the recognition of Professional Qualifications (Directive 2005/36/EC as amended by Directive 2013/55/EU) as it applies to driving and

motorcycle instructors. They complement the European Union (Recognition of Professional Qualifications) Regulations 2015.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-117 The Driving and Motorcycle Instructors (Recognition of European Professional Qualifications) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**68. SR 2017-127 The Bus and Coach Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-127 The Bus and Coach Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Regulations is to amend the Bus and Coach Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014 to extend exemptions under Article 2(4) of Regulation (EU) No. 181/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 concerning rights of passengers in bus and coach transport and amending Regulations (EC) No. 2006/2004.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-127 The Bus and Coach Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**69. SR 2017-139 The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Mr Boyle, rejoined the meeting at 12.37 pm.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-139 The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Regulations is to update the reference in the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (S.R. 1995 No.447), to the British Standard to which portable fire extinguishers fitted in public service vehicles (PSV) must comply.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-139 The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the objection of Mr Beggs MLA to the gold plating of EU Directives into domestic legislation.

## **70. SR 2017-140 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-140 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered, SR 2017-140 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017 and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the objection of Mr Beggs MLA to the gold plating of EU Directives into domestic legislation.

## **71. SR 2017-141 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-141 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-141 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to note the objection of Mr Beggs MLA to the gold plating of EU Directives into domestic legislation.

*12:50 pm The Committee agree to suspend.*

*10:05 am 22 January 2020 The Committee resumed in open session.*

**Present:** Ms Michelle McIlveen MLA (Chairperson)  
Mr David Hilditch MLA (Deputy-Chairperson)  
Mr Roy Beggs MLA  
Mr Cathal Boylan MLA  
Mr Keith Buchanan MLA  
Ms Liz Kimmins MLA  
Mr Raymond McCartney MLA  
Mr Andrew Muir MLA

**Apologies:** Mrs Dolores Kelly MLA

**In Attendance:** Mrs Cathie White (Assembly Clerk)  
Mrs Alison Ross (Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Vincent Gribbin (Assistant Assembly Clerk)  
Mr Johnny Lawless (Clerical Supervisor)

Mr Pentland joined the meeting at 10:05 am.

Mr Sykes joined the meeting at 10:05 am.

Mr Millar joined the meeting at 10:05 am.

The Committee agreed to return to Agenda Item 58.

The Committee considered SR 2017-31 The Trunk Roads T1, T3 and T7 (York Street Interchange) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017 and maps tabled.

*Mr Muir MLA declared an interest as a former employee of Translink.*

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-31 The Trunk Roads T1, T3 and T7 (York Street Interchange) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

The Committee agreed to return to Agenda Item 60.

The Committee considered SR 2017-226 The Trunk Road T3 (Western Transport Corridor) Order (Northern Ireland) 2017 and the High Court of Justice Ruling on this Statutory Rule and noted that it had been quashed.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to await the report of the Examiner of Statutory Rules to consider how to proceed with the Statutory Rule.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to receive the Planning Appeals Commission Report and information on the funding offered and made by the Republic of Ireland Government at a future briefing.

*Mr Pentland left the meeting at 10:19 am.*

*Mr Sykes left the meeting at 10:19 am.*

*Mr Millar left the meeting at 10:19 am.*

## **72. SR 2017-191 The Motor Vehicles (Authorised Weight) (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-191 The Motor Vehicles (Authorised Weight) (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Statutory Rule is to facilitate the implementation of Commission Directive 2015/719 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29th April 2015 ("the Directive") which amends Council Directive 96/53/EC on the maximum authorised dimensions in national and international traffic and the maximum authorised weights in international traffic.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-191 The Motor Vehicles (Authorised Weight) (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

## **73. SR 2017-225 The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Mr Boyle joined the meeting at 10:20 am.*  
*Ms Cowan joined the meeting at 10:20 am.*  
*Mr Starritt joined the meeting at 10:20 am.*  
*Ms Gallagher joined the meeting at 10:20 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-225 The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of the Regulations is to amend Part 1 of the Schedule to the Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 which sets out the maximum fare tariff that may be charged by the driver of a taxi operating a taximeter.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-225 The Taxis (Taximeters, Devices and Maximum Fares) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **74. SR 2018-85 The Motor Vehicles Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-85 The Motor Vehicles Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018. This SR along with SR 2018-86, SR 2018-87, SR 2018-88, SR 2018-89 and SR 2018-90 gives effect to the requirements of Directive 2014/45/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3rd April 2014 on periodic road worthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers.

*Agreed:* The Committee to write to the Department requesting a list of the test centres that can cater for the tests outlined under the Directive.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-85 The Motor Vehicles Testing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **75. SR 2018-86 The Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-86 The Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-86 The Goods Vehicles (Testing) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **76. SR 2018-87 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-87 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.



*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-87 The Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**77. SR 2018-88 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-88 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-88 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**78. SR 2018-89 The Public Service Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-89 The Public Service Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-89 The Public Service Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**79. SR 2018-90 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-90 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-90 The Taxi Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**80. SR 2018-132 The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-132 The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of the Rule is to make changes to medical standards in respect of drivers of Group 1 vehicles (mainly cars and motorcycles) who have diabetes in order to facilitate the implementation of Commission Directive (EU) 2016/1106 ("the 2016 Directive") on driving licences.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-132 The Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**81. SR 2019-12 The Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-12 The Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Rule is to fully implement obligations of the United Kingdom (UK) under European Union law in the field of drivers' hours and tachographs for the carriage of goods and passengers by road and under the European Agreement concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles engaged in the International Road Transport of 1 July 1970, as amended ("the AETR"). This must be addressed before the point at which the UK leaves the European Union (EU) ("Exit Day").

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-12 The Drivers' Hours and Tachographs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**82. SR 2019-194 The Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Tachographs) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-194 The Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Tachographs) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Regulations is to give effect to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/799 which introduces new requirements in relation to a more advanced type of tachograph, referred to as a "smart tachograph".

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-194 The Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Tachographs) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**83. SR 2019-74 The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-74 The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose is to amend the Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 ("the 1993 Regulations") by prescribing a new form of the Blue Badge.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-74 The Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**84. SR 2019-27 The Public Service Vehicles (International Passenger Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Mr Boyle left the meeting at 10:49 am.*

*Ms Cowan left the meeting at 10:49 am.*

*Mr Crosbie joined the meeting at 10:49 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2019-27 The Public Service Vehicles (International Passenger Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of these Regulations is to update legislation for Northern Ireland concerning international passenger travel by bus and coach. This is to give effect to the existing requirements of EU market access arrangements covered by EC Regulation 1073/2009 and to implement the Interbus Agreement which governs occasional international bus and coach travel (e.g. holidays and tours) between its contracting parties.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-27 The Public Service Vehicles (International Passenger Services) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **85. SR 2017-84 The Rail Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

The Committee considered SR 2017-84 The Rail Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of these Regulations is to give effect to Articles 30 and 32 of Regulation (EC) No. 1371/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 concerning the rights of rail passengers.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-84 The Rail Passengers Rights and Obligations (Designation and Enforcement) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **86. SR 2019-15 The Railways Infrastructure (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-15 The Railways Infrastructure (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of these Regulations are required to amend the Railways Infrastructure (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 420), in order to take account of the EU Directive 2016/2370. These amendments relate to the field of railway infrastructure.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-15 The Railways Infrastructure (Access, Management and Licensing of Railway Undertakings) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **87. SR 2019-20 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-20 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Regulations is to amend the Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 to take account of the establishment of a UK wide Trailer Registration Scheme created under powers contained in the Haulage Permits and Trailer Registration Act 2018.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-20 The Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**88. SR 2018-193 The Harbour Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-193 The Harbour Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of these Regulations is to revoke defunct and superfluous legislative provisions transposing European Directives.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-193 The Harbour Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**89. SR 2018-196 The Water Environment (Floods Directive) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018**

The Committee considered SR 2018-196 The Water Environment (Floods Directive) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018. The purpose of these Regulations is to amend the Water Environment (Floods Directive) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 to replace out of date references to other legislation.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2018-196 The Water Environment (Floods Directive) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2018, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**90. SR 2019-209 The Waterways (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Mr Starritt left the meeting at 11:01 am.*

*Mr Crosbie left the meeting at 11:01 am.*

*Dr Grieve joined the meeting at 11:01 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2019-209 The Waterways (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Regulations is to ensure that Council Directive 2014/52/EU, is implemented in Northern Ireland in respect of canal schemes and certain marina works.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-209 The Waterways (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**91. SR 2019-120 The Dundrod Circuit (Admission Charges) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-120 The Dundrod Circuit (Admission Charges) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to increase the price of a spectator badge for road racing events at the Dundrod Circuit from £25.00 to £30.00.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-120 The Dundrod Circuit (Admission Charges) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

**92. SR 2019-166 The Central Reservations on the A1 Dromore By-Pass, Dromore and the A1 Dromore Road, Hillsborough (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019**

*Dr Grieve left the meeting at 11:05 am.*

*Mr McQuaid joined the meeting at 11:05 am.*

*Mr Bradley joined the meeting at 11:07 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2019-166 The Central Reservations on the A1 Dromore By-Pass, Dromore and the A1 Dromore Road, Hillsborough (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the rule is to stop-up the central reservations of the A1 Dromore By-Pass, Dromore and the A1 Dromore Road, Hillsborough to prevent vehicles from crossing from one side of the dual carriageway to the other at two locations.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-166 The Central Reservations on the A1 Dromore By-Pass, Dromore and the A1 Dromore Road, Hillsborough (Stopping-Up) Order (Northern Ireland) 2019 , and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr McQuaid left the meeting at 11:12 am.*

*Mr Bradley left the meeting at 11:12 am.*

**93. SR 2017-83 The Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Mr Gorman joined the meeting at 11:12 am.*

*Ms Kennedy joined the meeting at 11:12 am.*

*Ms Gallagher left the meeting at 11:13 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-83 The Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of these Regulations is to revoke and replace the Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015. They are being made to transpose changes made to EU Directive 2011/92/EU1 by EU Directive 2014/52/EU2.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-83 The Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **94. SR 2019-112 The Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-112 The Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Rule is to introduce an inflationary uplift of approximately 1.99% overall across all planning fee categories.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered, SR 2019-112 The Planning (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019 and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

#### **95. SR 2019-24 The Planning (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019**

The Committee considered SR 2019-24 The Planning (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019. The purpose of the Rule is to amend a number of Statutory Rules to clarify that statutory responsibility for the related functions has transferred to the Department for Infrastructure, from the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs. This clarification is necessary because the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016 did not specifically address subordinate legislation made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2019-24 The Planning (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2019, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Mr Gorman left the meeting at 11:24 am.  
Ms Kennedy left the meeting at 11:24 am.*

#### **96. SR 2017-88 The Drainage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017**

*Ms Dutton joined the meeting at 11:24 am.*

The Committee considered SR 2017-88 The Drainage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017. The purpose of these Regulations is to transpose European Council Directive 2014/52/EU dealing with the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment, in respect of certain drainage works and drainage schemes.

*Agreed:* The Committee considered SR 2017-88 The Drainage (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2017, and, subject to the Examiner of Statutory Rules' report, had no objection to the rule.

*Ms Dutton left the meeting at 11:29 am.*

## **97. Forward Work Programme**

The Committee considered noted the Forward Work Programme.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed to attend a Translink event on Wednesday 29 January 2020.

*Agreed:* The Committee agreed the Committee forward work programme as amended.

## **98. Any Other Business**

None.

## **99. Date, Time and Place of next meeting**

The Committee noted that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 28 January 2020, at 10:00 am in Room 29, Parliament Buildings.

**Ms Michelle McIlveen MLA**  
**Chairperson, Committee for Infrastructure**

**28 January 2020**