

**COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES
AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**Wednesday 3rd September 2014
Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings**

Present: Ms Maeve McLaughlin MLA (Chairperson)
Mr Roy Beggs MLA
Mr Mickey Brady MLA
Mrs Jo-Anne Dobson MLA
Mr Gordon Dunne MLA
Mr Kieran McCarthy MLA
Mr David McIlveen MLA
Mr Fearghal McKinney MLA
Mr Jim Wells MLA

Apologies: Mrs Pam Cameron MLA

In Attendance: Dr Kathryn Aiken (Clerk)
Mr Mark McQuade (Assistant Clerk)
Mr Innis Mennie (Clerical Supervisor)
Mr Craig Mealey (Clerical Officer)

The meeting commenced at 2.04 p.m. in open session.

The Chairperson welcomed Mrs Jo-Anne Dobson to the Committee and referred members to her declaration of interests.

1. Apologies.

Apologies as above.

2. Evidence session on the Department for Health, Social Services & Public Safety financial position.

The Committee noted correspondence from the Minister of 28 August 2014 setting out the current financial position.

The Committee noted correspondence from Professor O'Neill and from Mr Hunter.

The Committee took evidence from:

Mr Edwin Poots MLA	Minister for Health, Social Services & Public Safety
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Ms Julie Thompson	Deputy Secretary, Resources & Performance Management, Department for Health, Social Services & Public Safety
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Dr Michael McBride	Chief Medical Officer, Department for Health, Social Services & Public Safety
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A question and answer session ensued. The Chairperson thanked the witnesses for attending.

The Committee *agreed* to discuss these matters further at its next meeting.

3. Date, time and place of next meeting.

The next Committee meeting will be on Wednesday 10th September 2014 at 3.00pm in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings.

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 4.34 p.m.

Signed: _____
Chairperson

Date: _____