

COMMITTEE FOR JUSTICE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 14 JANUARY 2016 Room 30, Parliament Buildings

Present: Mr Alastair Ross MLA (Chairman)

Mr Raymond McCartney MLA (Deputy Chairman)

Mr Stewart Dickson MLA Mr Sammy Douglas MLA

Mr Paul Frew MLA

Mr Danny Kennedy MLA Mr Seán Lynch MLA Mr Alban Maginness MLA Ms Bronwyn McGahan MLA Mr Patsy McGlone MLA Mr Edwin Poots MLA

In Attendance: Mrs Christine Darrah (Assembly Clerk)

Ms Karen Jardine (Senior Assistant Assembly Clerk) Mrs Roisin Donnelly (Assistant Assembly Clerk)

Ms Leanne Johnston (Clerical Supervisor) Ms Marianne Doherty (Clerical Officer)

Apologies: None.

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

The meeting was suspended at 5.57 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 6.06 p.m.

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Mr Raymond McCartney MLA (Deputy Chairman)

Mr Stewart Dickson MLA Mr Sammy Douglas MLA

Mr Paul Frew MLA

Mr Alban Maginness MLA

The Committee agreed to consider Agenda items 7 to 12.

7. Justice No.2 Bill – Consideration and Approval of Committee Report

The Committee considered the final draft report on the Justice No.2 Bill.

Title Page, Committee Membership and Powers, Table of Contents and List of Abbreviations

The Committee considered the Title page, Committee Membership and Powers, Table of Contents and List of Abbreviations.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Title page, Committee Membership and Powers, Table of Contents and List of Abbreviations as drafted put and agreed to."

Introduction

The Committee considered the Introduction section of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Introduction (paragraphs 1 to 24) as drafted put and agreed to."

Consideration of the Provisions of the Bill

The Committee considered the Consideration of the Provisions of the Bill section of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Consideration of the Provisions of the Bill section of the report (paragraphs 25 to 189) as drafted put and agreed to."

Consideration of the Other Proposed Provisions for Inclusion in the Bill

The Committee considered the Other Proposed Provisions for Inclusion in the Bill section of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Consideration of the other Proposed Provisions for Inclusion in the Bill section of the report (paragraphs 190 to 257) as drafted put and agreed to."

Clause by Clause Consideration of the Bill

The Committee considered the Clause by Clause Consideration of the Bill section of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Clause by Clause Consideration of the Bill section of the report (paragraphs 258 to 332) as drafted put and agreed to."

Appendices

The Committee considered the Appendices section of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content that the Appendices be included in the report put and agreed to."

Executive Summary

The Committee considered the Executive Summary of the report.

"Question: That the Committee is content with the Executive Summary as drafted put and agreed to."

Agreed: The Committee agreed that it was content for the Chairman to approve an extract of the Minutes of Proceedings from today's meeting that covers the consideration and approval of the Committee report. This will be published in the report and then replaced by the full Minutes of Proceedings of the meeting once they have been agreed by the Committee.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that it was content for the Report on the Justice No.2 Bill to be published.

Agreed: The Committee agreed that an electronic copy of the Bill report should be sent to all organisations and individuals who provided evidence to the Committee on the Bill.

6.12 p.m. Mr Kennedy joined the meeting.

Mr Alastair Ross MLA Chairman, Committee for Justice

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